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## THE CAFE PARISIEN FAILURE.

## M. DURAND IS PUBLICLY EXAMINED.

## REMARKABLE LIST OF BUSINESS VENTURES.

## HUGE LOSSES ADMITTED.

Financial losses totalling over \$200,000 in ventures with which he was concerned with Madame Flint, were admitted by Monsieur J. L. Durand in the Bankruptcy Court this morning before Sir Henry Gollan, when the Official Receiver (Mr. E. L. Agassiz) conducted the public examination, following on the failure of the Cafe Parisien. M. Durand endeavoured to make allegations against certain persons concerned in the bankruptcy, but was prevented by Sir Henry Gollan.

That he was the only man who understood the machinery was admitted by M. Durand in connexion with an asset which he valued at \$16,000 and the Official Receiver at \$145.

Madame Flint admitted receiving considerable sums from the late Mrs. M. J. D. Stephens.

## BIG SUMS FROM MRS. STEPHENS.

There was one Chinese creditor present, Chan Po-fai, who appeared to be a comrade, but a considerable number of other Chinese were also in court.

During his examination, M. Durand indulged in several involved and lengthy explanations, and was reproved by his Lordship several times for not answering questions properly. At one stage M. Durand commenced to make charges against certain people, but his Lordship intervened saying it was very easy to bring charges against anybody, but it was also very dangerous.

In reply to Mr. E. L. Agassiz, the Official Receiver, M. Durand said he was a French subject and had been in Hongkong for five years. Previous to coming to Hongkong he had carried on business in Saigon, being employed by a firm as chief of the metal department. Before leaving Saigon he came to an arrangement with his creditors. His liabilities were then \$17,000 and his assets \$13,000, so his creditors took his assets.

When he first came to Hongkong he was employed in the French department of Messrs. Britto and Co., the import and export firm, when he received 40 per cent. on the business he introduced. When he had been with them for a few months they went into liquidation. He then joined Messrs. Lee Pak and Co., and after being with them for exactly six months, they also went into liquidation.

Europe Asia Company.

After that he commenced business on his own as the Europe Asia Trading Company, taking an office in the Hongkong Hotel building. He was the sole proprietor. In this business he invested all his savings amounting to \$2,000 or \$3,000. The business was buying and selling. He was appointed the agent of the Michelin Tyre Co. but that agency had now been given to a Chinese firm, because he could not guarantee a sufficiently big turnover. In that business there was no question of commission. He made enough money to pay his own expenses.

In May 1924 a certain partnership arrangement was made between himself and Madame Flint.

Mr. Agassiz:—There was an original agreement under which you were to be admitted as a partner in Madame Flint's dress-making business, which she had carried on for a very long time, and profit were to be divided between you, she taking 5/6th and you 1/6th?—Yes.

The only thing you put into that business was the Europe Asia Trading Company's business, which was only sufficient to keep yourself and pay expenses?—Yes.

She had an old established dressmaking business which she had carried on for 25 years?—Not so much as 25 years. Maybe about 12 or 15 years.

The goodwill of that business was of very considerable value at that time?—It was about \$20,000 at that time. The value of the business was not so good if Madame was not there.

## THE CHINA WAR.

### NANKING CAMPAIGN DEVELOPS.

### MORE CHEFOO TENSION.

Shanghai, Oct. 31. The Military Council at Nanking has ordered the forces operating against Wuhan to enter Hupeh from three different points. The right flank will take orders from General Chen Chien and Chu Puteh, while the left flank will be under the command of General Li Chung-yen, leaving the central advance to the naval force, which will proceed along the river.

General Li Tick-ping, who is moving against Hankow in co-operation with Nanking, to attack General Tang Song-chi, has established military offices at Nanking, in order to be able to communicate readily with the Government there.

It is reported that the Second Army, under General Lu, has come into conflict with the Sixteenth Army Corps under General Li Sin, at Ichang.

General Ho Chien, of the Wuhan faction, has reported his arrival at Wommei, and is said to be concentrating his troops there. General Liu Hsing, who controls the Thirty-Sixth Army, is concentrating his forces at Wussoch—Yam Chung Pao.

It was thought by those on board that a number of passengers were desirous of embarking, and the ship was accordingly heaved to.

Why was that arrangement made?—At the time Madame Flint wanted to go home and I was going to take the responsibility for everything.

That was the only reason for altering it?—Yes.

Did Madame Flint go home?—No. She did not go account of the trouble in Shanghai.

When you first went into partnership with Madame Flint, where was her business being carried on?—In Queen's Road.

You subsequently moved into China Building?—Yes, on the first floor.

You then moved again to No. 12 Pedder Buildings?—Yes, and that cost us about \$20,000.

What was the reason for moving to Pedder Street?—The reason was because we wanted to be down stairs and have a show room there instead of being on the first floor.

The rent in China Building was about \$1,700, and you went into another building where the rent was \$3,200—nearly double?—We started other businesses on these premises. We had five businesses altogether.

ON THE YANGTSE.

Much Troop Activity.

Shanghai, Oct. 30. An improvement is noticeable in the British American Tobacco Company's strike.

It is reported here that General Chu Pei-teh is now endeavouring to keep Kaingsi out of the war.

On the Yangtze considerable troop movement continues.

Concentrations have been affected at Nanking and Chin-kiang and many troops are crossing the river.—*Naval Wireless*.

YANG SEN MOVES.

Going to Ichang.

Ichang, Oct. 30. It is reported that General Yang Sen will arrive here to-morrow.—*Naval Wireless*.

FRENCH AT HANKOW.

Garrison Increased.

Hankow, Oct. 30. The immediate political future of Hankow is becoming increasingly obscure. Up to the present, General Tang Song-chi is still hanging on, but it is believed that he has made every preparation to evacuate when necessary.

Two hundred French Colonial troops are among recent arrivals, and they will reinforce the garrison of the French Concession.—*Naval Wireless*.

R. A. F. FLYING BOATS IN EGYPT.

London, Oct. 30. The four Royal Air Force Supermarine Napier seaplanes, on their Far Eastern tour, reached Egypt yesterday.—*British Wireless*.

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## MYSTERIOUS CRAFT HAULS SHIP.

### BELIEVED TO BE ATTEMPT AT PIRACY.

### SHING ON'S ADVENTURE.

News was received in the Colony this morning of another attempt to pirate the s.s. Shing On, on the Wuchow run on Saturday.

The first news was given by the s.s. Kochow on arrival here, and Captain Morgan, himself the victim of a recent piratical attack, gave details of this latest attempt.

The Shing On left Hongkong for Wuchow on Saturday morning with a fair passenger list and a full cargo for West River ports. When approaching the First Bar, passing vessels heard shots fired, but owing to the high wind, it was thought that these were not heard by the Shing On. Some few minutes later a junk came from the bank, and approached the Shing On astern, and a call was made for the vessel to stop.

It was thought by those on board that a number of passengers were desirous of embarking, and the ship was accordingly heaved to.

Later. The assailant is named Goussios, and is aged 30. He is apparently a deaf mute. He made a statement that he had been long unemployed, and had not received any state assistance, so sought to avenge himself by killing the President.

The assailant's identity is not disclosed, but he is described as a young Communist and fanatic.

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## SHOTS IN ATHENS.

### GREEK PRESIDENT WOUNDED.

### DEAF MUTE'S REVENGE.

Athenes, Oct. 30. A man in the street fired at President Conduriotis. The latter was uninjured, and his assailant was arrested.

President Conduriotis was entering his car after opening a congress of mayors. The bullet struck the windscreens of the car, showering glass splinters on the President, who otherwise was uninjured, but the bullet injured a bystander. Crowds attempted to lynch the assailant before his arrest.

Sent to Hospital.

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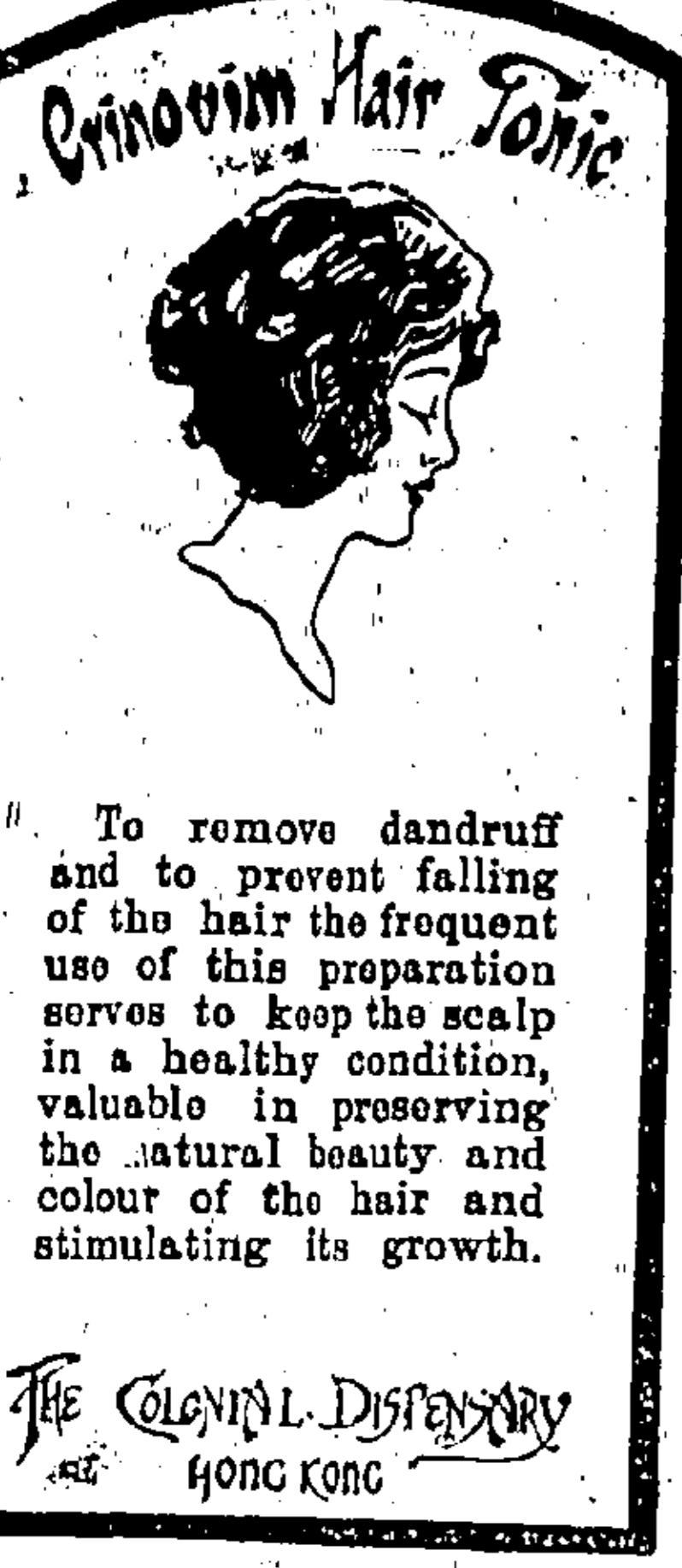
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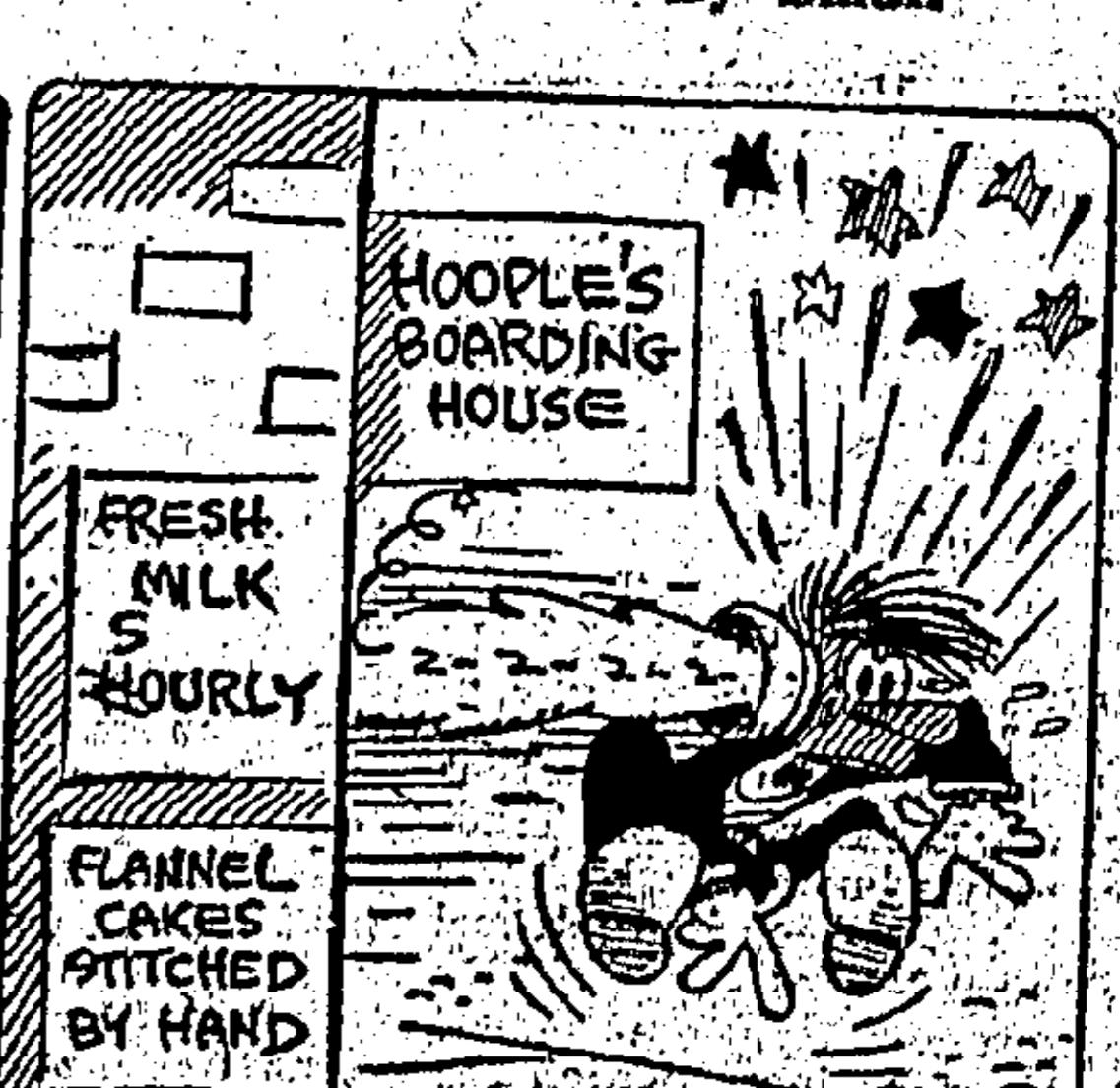
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### SATURDAY'S CRICKET.

#### INTERPORT TRIAL MATCH.

On the Hongkong C. C. ground, Sayer won the toss and elected to bat. The side made a disastrous start. Bruce was caught off Wales for eight, whilst both Fincher and Capt. Morris failed to open their account. Hawx rd. batted steadily for a time but was caught with his score at 20, and Sayer had only got into double figures when he was sent back. At one time it looked as if the side would be out for less than thirty. Goodwin and "Lobster" Reed made a useful stand at the end. The former had a few lives, but managed to collect 22, and was not out when the innings closed for 76. Dale, Wales and Hankey did the damage. Wales was bowling very well and his three wickets cost only 16 runs. Dale had three for 25 and Hankey two for 21.

Pearce's team knocked off the runs required for victory with the loss of Hankey's wicket. He accompanied Lieut. Hunt to the crease, but had only made a single when he was clean bowled by Reed. Both Hunt and Ramsey batted exceptionally well, and if they keep up this form they will stand a very good chance of getting into the Interport team. The former made 68 and the latter 42 and both retired. During their association the best batting of the afternoon was seen. Capt. Bridgland appeared to be well set when he was very smartly run out by Sayer. Dale, Hinton and Parker all did well, and 212 runs were on the board when the innings closed.

Not only their batting but the bowling of Sayer's side was disappointing. Goodwin failed to take a wicket. "Lobster" Reed was most successful with three wickets for 71. Scores:

#### G. R. SAYER'S TEAM.

	O. M. R. W.
H. W. Brace, c Dale, b Wales	20
E. C. Fincher, b Wales	8
Capt. Morris, b Wales	6
G. R. Sayer, c Lench, b Hankey	14
Capt. Thorp, c Pearce, b Wales	0
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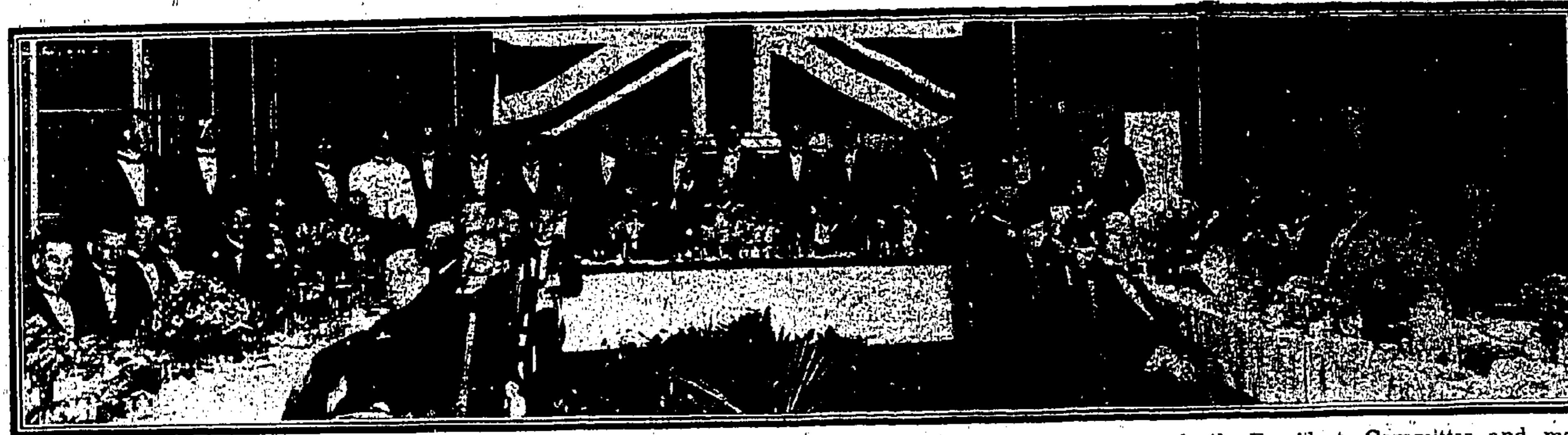
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RECENT SHANGHAI WEDDING.—Mr. B. P. F. Marques and his bride Miss Alda Olivia Lopes, after their wedding at St. Joseph's Church, Shanghai. Mr. J. C. Britto was witness for the bridegroom and Mr. J. C. d'Assumpcao witness for the bride. The bridesmaids were Miss Magda Medina and Miss Agatha Seina.



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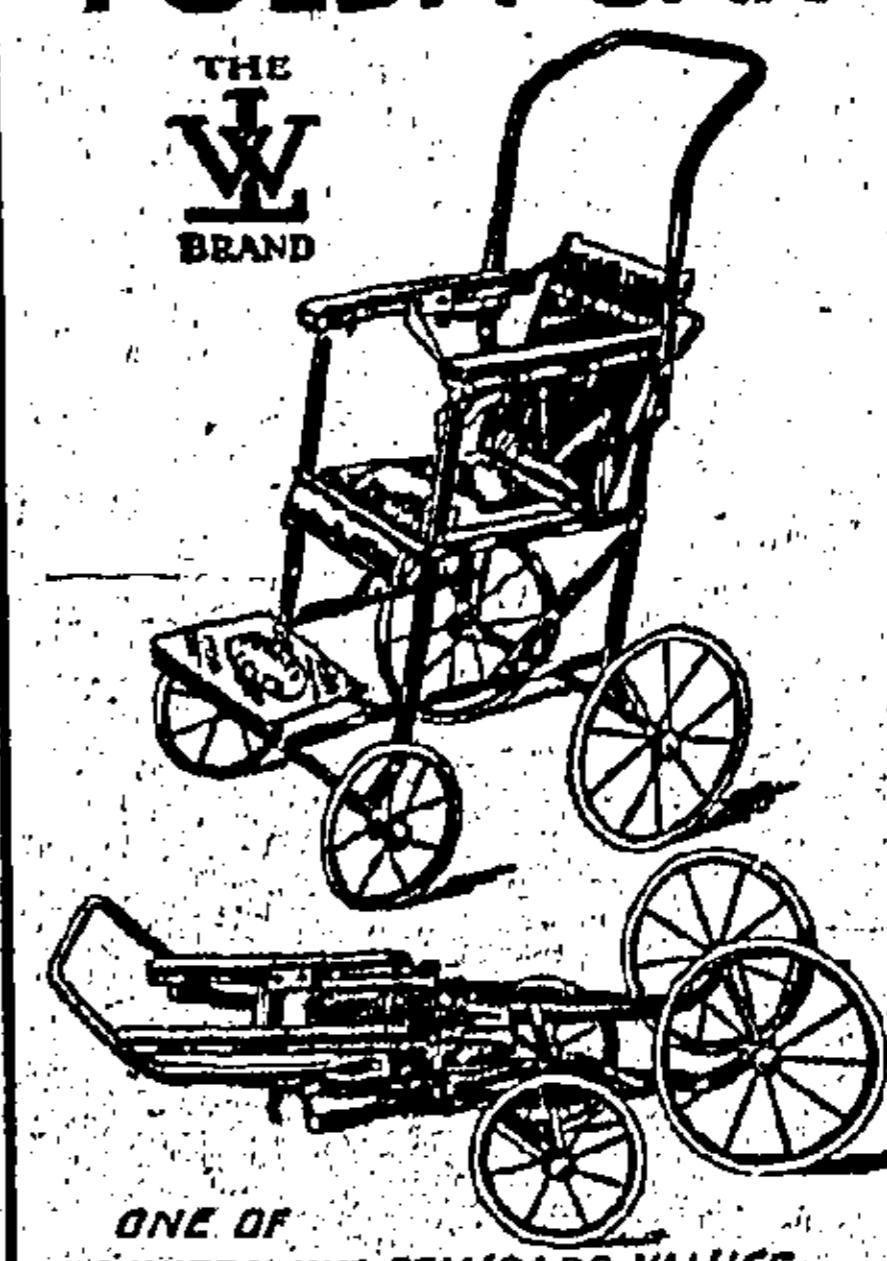
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If you have anything you would like to sell, exchange or advertise send it to the CHINA AUCTION ROOM.

E. V. M. R. de SOUSA.

The Swedish papers are suggesting that a Montmartre for artists should be founded on the craggy hills of Södermalm, a district of Stockholm, rising on a big green island in the lake, and commanding a beautiful view over the whole city. It is feared that otherwise the picturesque old houses of Södermalm are doomed to perish. The idea is to let such houses in preference to artists, thus creating a colony for the Fine Arts.

**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS**

**LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS**

**IN THE MATTER** of THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY LTD., (and Reduced)

and

**IN THE MATTER** of the Companies Ordinance 1911.

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the order of His Honour Sir Henry Cowper Gollan, Knight, C. B. E., dated the 24th day of October, 1927, confirming the reduction of capital of the above-named Company from \$6,000,000 to \$3,000,000 and the minute (approved by the Court) showing with respect to the capital of the Company as altered the several particulars required by the above Ordinance, were registered by the Registrar of Companies on the Twenty-sixth day of October, 1927.

And further take notice that the said minute is in the words and figures following:

"The capital of The China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company Limited and Reduced, henceforth is \$3,000,000 divided into 600,000 shares (of which 596,247 have been issued but 6669 have since been forfeited) of \$5.—each instead of the original capital of \$6,000,000 divided into 600,000 shares of \$10.—each. At the time of the registration of this minute the sum of \$5.—has been and is to be deemed paid up on each of the said shares.

Dated 31st day of October, 1927.

**DEACONS,**

Solicitors for the Company.

**HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.**

The Seventh Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 5th November, 1927, commencing at 2 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.00 for all persons including Ladies, Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Member's Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5.00 each up to Friday, 4th November, 1927.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2.00. Each member can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

Hongkong, October 30th, 1927.

**GOVERNMENT HOUSE.**

An entertainment under the auspices of and in aid of the

**HONGKONG WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

and

**MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE**

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**A WORKER'S PROTEST.**

**A SHIPYARD MATTER.**

A meeting for the purpose of discussing a request to the managements of local shipyards to employ workers direct instead of through Chinese foremen was attended by more than 200 Chinese mechanics yesterday afternoon, in the Chinese Mechanic's Association.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. Han Man-wai, who declared that recently it had been learned that two of the biggest local shipyards had decided to let Chinese foremen employ workers. When there was a job of work to be done the management of the shipyard will not employ its workers direct but, instead, it will arrange with Chinese foremen, who will sign with the shipyard to undertake to do the work for a certain amount. The foremen will then find the necessary workers to do the work.

The Chairman added that if foremen were left to employ workers, the outcome would be a decrease in the wages of workers of at least 20 per cent; a decrease in the number of workers employed in shipyards, and, lastly, that it would be harder for the elder workers to find employment. It was argued that the foremen will have means of cutting down not only the wages of workers but the number of workers required to do a piece of work. Further, that they will engage workers who can do the most work and that elder workers will be out of their consideration.

At the meeting it was decided to appeal to managements of the shipyards and also to the Government for help.

**A SMALL RIOT IN THE PHILIPPINES.**

**AMERICAN HURT AND FILIPINO KILLED.**

Manila, Oct. 28. One Filipino was killed and an unidentified American injured yesterday in Dinalupihan, Batangas, as a result of an alteration believed to have arisen over the survey for a privately owned railroad right-of-way through the Dinalupihan estate by the Pampana Sugar Mills, according to a telegram received by Leocio Espino, chief clerk of the senate, from Daniel Sobrevinas, municipal councillor of Dinalupihan.

The telegram does not state the name of the dead Filipino or the injured American nor does it explain how the incident took place. It was learned in Manila last night that E. A. Rivers, superintendent of transportation for the Pampana Sugar Mills, is the only American connected with right-of-way survey work for the company and it is believed that he is the one injured.

The estate where the incident took place is owned by the church but the Archbishop's secretary said last night that he had heard nothing of the riot. Likewise the constabulary has had no report. A telegram received in Manila on Wednesday stated that constabulary soldiers accompanied the sugar mill representatives on their surveying expedition.

**Survey Opposed.**

The Pampana Sugar Mills at Del Carmen have carried on an intensive campaign during the past off cane season to contract with planters to sell cane to the central. This campaign resulted in the company arranging to extend its railroad lines about 26 kilometers. It is supposed that this survey was in connexion with the extension.

Tenants on the Dinalupihan estate, it is understood, are opposed to the survey inasmuch as they hope eventually to own the land themselves. Last August they presented a formal petition to the legislature asking the government to purchase the estate from the church and in turn sell it to them on the instalment basis. The petition was turned down, principally because of lack of funds and partly because Miguel Unson, acting secretary of finance, doubted the wisdom of the purchase.

The executive bureau received a telegram yesterday from Roman Salvador, acting municipal president of Dinalupihan, stating that 500 men and women made a public demonstration on Wednesday in protest of the survey. It did not say, however, that any undue event had taken place.

The Pampana Sugar Mills now operate more than 400 kilometers of their own railway system, extending through the provinces of Pampanga, Tarlac, Zambales and Bataan.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone is central over S. W. Japan. The Monsoon is interrupted to the north of Amoy. It will remain moderate over the China Sea. Local forecast, E. winds, moderate, fine.

**A GULLIBLE WOMAN.**

**BANKNOTES TRICK AGAIN WORKED.**

A Chinese was charged before Major C. Willson, at the Central Magistracy this morning, with obtaining \$70 worth of jewellery from a Chinese woman by means of the notorious banknote confidence trick.

The jewellery was not recovered, and a previous conviction being proved, the man was sent to prison for three months with hard labour.

The banknote trick is one which has been practised with monotony on the frequency here, but has not lost effectiveness. In the present case, it was stated that the woman was approached by two men, complete strangers to her, who told her that they were newcomers to the Colony and did not know the way to the money-changer's.

They handed her a parcel of what purported to be banknotes, and asked her to change the money for them. The prospect of a commission was one which appealed to the simple-minded woman. She took the parcel, and at the same time handed to the men, the articles of "jewellery" she had on her, reasoning that it was only fair that she should, at their request, leave these with them as security against her return.

At the money-changer's, she was disillusioned when, on opening the parcel for the first time, she found they had nothing more valuable than blank paper. When she rushed back to the spot where she left the men, they had of course disappeared.

During the week-end, one of the two men was arrested and was charged and sentenced this morning as stated above. His partner who is believed to have the custody of the jewellery, has gone up to Canton.

**DAY BY DAY.**

There was one Chinese case of typhoid fever reported over the week-end.

The P. and O. s.s. Khyber from Hongkong, arrived at Marseilles on Saturday.

There will be a public Lecture at the Helena May Institute on Monday 7th November at 5.30 p.m. The subject being "Aviation." Advt.

The week-end Harbour Office reports gave a free movement of vessels, with British ships holding first

## THE RETURN OF THE "CAT."

## A CLIMBING THIEF'S 20 SUCCESSES.

## IS HE AN EX-SAILOR?

By a raid on Sunningdale House, Sydenham, Middlesex, which resulted in a haul of jewellery and clothing valued at £5,000, the "cat" burglar has signalled that he has begun operations for another season, says a London paper of small week.

Every year since 1923 this acrobatic housebreaker has reappeared in the last weeks of September and at regular intervals has carried on his skilful work until about the middle of the following March. He has brought off nearly 20 first-class coups and numerous less successful burglaries in London and district, and has stolen property worth tens of thousands of pounds.

## Poor Imitations.

Several times the police have made arrests and obtained convictions of supposed "cat" burglars, but they have been poor imitators of the genuine gymnast thief. So similar are the circumstances of the first-scale exploits that it is plain there is one master "cat"—a burglar who can climb like a monkey and move as stealthily in the dark as the animal from which he derives his title.

In 70 per cent. of the cases investigated by the police he has entered dwelling houses while the family were at dinner. Invariably he climbs by a water or drain pipe part of the way up the wall of a house, and always the building selected is one with ornamental work, which assists him in swarming to the upper rooms, and with balconies which provide hiding places and access to unguarded windows.

## Bare-Foot Clue.

Last winter the "cat" confined his attention largely to country houses. His latest venture to Sydenham suggests that this season he may again specialise in quiet districts.

When "Felix" as the cat burglar is called by the police, has left any personal trace it has always been the same practically valueless clue—the imprint of a bare foot. This has led to the belief that he is an ex-sailor trained in climbing.

## CURBING OF CHINESE IMMIGRATION.

## A PHILIPPINES PROPOSAL

Manila, Oct. 28.

Legislation tending to curb immigration of Chinese into the Philippines and which would discourage their illegal entry is urged by Acting Governor General Gilmore in a bill he yesterday sent to Acting Senate President Jose Clarin asking its approval.

The bill provides for more rigid regulations regarding the administration of Chinese and heavier penalties for violation of the immigration laws. This move by the administration is said to be the result of the alarmingly large numbers of Chinese believed to have introduced themselves clandestinely into the country.

The proposed measure, amending existing laws, was following as its most important features:

1. An imprisonment of six months for any Chinese found violating the immigration law before being deported.

2. An imprisonment of no less than six months but not more than two years for any person found assisting or participating in the violation of the immigration laws and to pay the expenses of deportation.

3. The fee of Pesos 0.50 for the issuance of a certificate of entry be raised to Pesos 20.

4. That any Chinese residing in the Philippines who has not secured a certificate of entry after January 1, 1930, shall be deported.

## THE PHILIPPINES GOVERNORSHIP.

## PRESIDENT SAID TO HAVE CHOSEN SUCCESSOR.

Washington, Oct. 25. It is understood here that President Coolidge has selected a successor to the late General Wood, governor-general of the Philippines but his name has not been disclosed, and there is no indication when the appointment will be announced.

Those prominently mentioned for the post are Governor Wallace R. Farrington of Hawaii, former Senator James W. Wadsworth, of New York, Brigadier General Frank McCoy, and Henry L. Stimson, recently the President's personal representative in Nicaragua. While not on the President's list, some quarters mention Major General Douglas MacArthur as a possible selection. The President understands that General MacArthur will take charge of the military forces in the Philippines.

## Still No Name.

Washington, Oct. 27. Pending the announcement of the successor to the late General Wood as governor-general of the Philippines, "President" Coolidge is giving close study to how to best meet the problem in the Philippines.

While it is believed that the President may have already reached a decision regarding the next governor-general, there is nothing to indicate when the appointment will be announced. It is suggested in some quarters that he might desire to await the arrival of Manuel Quezon and Sergio Osmena, who are expected here soon.

Two men interested in the islands were invited to a conference to-day with the President. They were Frank B. Loomis, of San Francisco, former assistant secretary of state, and Frank W. Carpenter, former executive secretary at Manila but now a resident of Venezuela.

Loomis said after the conference that he had suggested a California man for the Manila post, but he declined to disclose the name of the man whom he recommended. Carpenter said that he believed the next governor-general would be a man with an intimate knowledge of Philippines problems. Neither would offer a conjecture as to who the President's choice was or would be.

Quezon and Osmena plan to reach Washington on Sunday after first stopping at Chicago and New York. They will be welcome by Commissioner Pedro Guevara, Vicente G. Bunuan, and a committee from the Filipino Club of Washington.

## SOLDIER STABBED BY A WOMAN.

## IN MANILA HOSPITAL WITH KNIFE WOUND.

Feliciano Loper, aged 35, wife of Private David Bastony, Company L, 31st Infantry, spent the night in the Luneta station jail, charged with inflicting physical injuries on the person of Private Robert C. Shotts, 31st Infantry, says a Manila report. Private Shotts is in the Sternberg General Hospital suffering from a knife wound in his chest.

About 9.30 p.m. Private Shotts in company with another soldier called at the home of their comrade who resides in Pasay. Private Bastony is now on detached service in Baguio and Feliciano Lopez was alone.

According to the woman's story, she asked Private Shotts to write her husband a letter at her dictation, not being able to write herself. But the soldier refused to write the letter, according to the woman's story, and instead, he attacked her. In protecting herself, she resorted to the use of a knife.

The case will be investigated by the secret service.

## OUR DAILY TALK ON HEALTH.

## BLOOD-STAINED TEAR CASES A MYSTERY.

## MEDICAL ATTENTION.

In 1681, a Latin observer record his investigation of a girl, aged 16, whose tears resembled blood.

Since that time many physicians have written about cases of this type, and quite recently Dr. Z. R. Scott has reported a case observed by him in Pennsylvania.

A baby girl had progressed normally until she was six months old, when she developed a severe cold, nasal discharge and a slight cough. On several occasions during this time her mother noticed that when the baby cried especially hard the tears were red and stained the linen. Some of these blood-stained tears were collected by the physician and when examined were found to contain actual red blood cells.

As the cold in the head improved the blood gradually disappeared from the tears. Every possible examination was made without involving any surgical opening of the tissues, but no definite changes could be found to account for this peculiar occurrence.

In cases that have been previously described, six were associated with the fact that women had not passed through the normal changes that occur to girls. In several cases there had been inflammations of the eyes and in other cases a tumour of the eyelids. Obviously, the sudden appearance of blood in the tears is a striking and unusual occurrence and should have prompt medical investigation.

## SHOT BY AGITATOR.



President Conduriotis, of Greece, who has been wounded in an attempt to assassinate him in Athens.

## MGR. J. J. HARTY NEAR DEATH.

## FORMER ARCHBISHOP OF PHILIPPINES.

Los Angeles, Oct. 27. J. J. Harty, archbishop of Omaha, and the first American Archbishop in the Philippines, probably will not live through the week, physicians said here to-day.

The archbishop has been ill for some time. Two years ago he was stricken with influenza. The disease recurred a few months later, and physicians ordered him to Arizona. He returned to Los Angeles recently.

The s.s. Empress of Asia left Shanghai on Saturday afternoon and is due here to-morrow morning. She will sail for Manila at 5 p.m. on Wednesday.

## COMMUNISM IN SHANGHAI.

## A RECRUDESCENCE REPORTED.

Notwithstanding the severe measures adopted by the Chinese Authorities since April 12, 1927, against the members of the Chinese Communist Party, these extremists have succeeded in resuming their old activities, and are now endeavouring by means of terrorism and propaganda to bring the workers in Shanghai completely under their domination, says the Municipal Council report for last month. The terrorist was manifested during the period under review in a campaign of assassination against employees of industrial establishments, of whom no less than four were shot dead and two wounded, while the propaganda consisted of appeals to the workers which were disseminated through the medium of handbills.

In one instance the handbills advocated the overthrow of the Unification Committee of Shanghai Labour Union and the removal of Generals Pai Chung-hai and Ho Ying-ching from the ground that they have degenerated into reactionary militarists. In another a demand was made for the confiscation of foreign factories and an appeal to labourers to secure arms and set up a proletarian government in co-operation with the Russian Soviet Republic.

These handbills purported to have been issued by branches of the Chinese Communist Party known as the General Labour Union, the Chinese Communistic League and the Executive Committee of the Chinese Communist Party.

## MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

s.s. "Wray Castle" (D. & Co.) sailed from New York on the 15th instant, and is expected here on or about the 10th Dec.

s.s. "Lancaster Castle" (D. & Co.) sailed from Honolulu on the 21st instant, and is expected here on the 15th proximo.

m.v. "Temo" (D. & Co.) sailed from Trieste on the 24th instant, and is expected to arrive here on the 8th Dec.

s.s. "Venezia" (D. & Co.) sailed from Colombo on the 26th instant, and is due here on the 10th proximo.

s.s. "Calum" (D. & Co.) due to sail from Sydney on the 10th proximo, and is expected here on or about the 24th December.

s.s. "Pres. Jefferson" of the American Mail Line will arrive from Seattle and Victoria via Yokohama, Kobe, and Shanghai this afternoon. She will said for Manila on Tuesday, November 1st at 4 p.m.

s.s. "Pres. McKinley" of the American Mail Line arrived from Manila this morning. She will sail for Victoria and Seattle via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama on Wednesday at 1 a.m.

## HARBOUR COLLISION.

## EARLY MORNING EXPERIENCE.

Damage to the extent of \$200 is reported to have been caused to the motor-launch George Bing No. 1 in an early-morning collision with another motor-launch in the harbour yesterday.

According to the coxswain's report to the police, the George Bing was crossing the harbour with four European passengers and at 2.30 a.m. was nearing the Kowloon Wharf. Another motor-launch suddenly swerved and collided with the George Bing on the starboard side. Although material damage was caused the George Bing was not disabled, and was able to proceed to the landing stage with its passengers unhurt.

## THE ROSE CROPS OF KWANTUNG.

## MAKING OF ESSENCE AND SUGAR.

## EXTENSIVE CULTIVATION.

Roses are extensively cultivated by Kwantung farmers on a commercial basis the returns being exceedingly high. A acre yields every year 300-500 catties of flowers, which are sold at \$40-\$50 a picul (100 catties). Tseng-shing is the best known rose producing centre in Kwantung province, although rose gardens are found in the suburbs of nearly all the big cities. The rose cultivated by Kwantung farmers belongs to a species indigenous to Tseng-shing, the ordinary kind raised by horticulturists having little commercial value.

The plant is highly sensitive to heat and dampness and must be planted in sandy or loamy soil with the bed well-drained. It is propagated by cuttings. In January, the farmers usually take cuttings from a parent plant, each measuring about five inches and transplant them in sandy soil. The cuttings are well-watered and covered with inverted earthenware pots. After a month or so, the pots are temporarily removed in order to expose the new growths to light for about half an hour, when they are covered up again with pots, which are now kept slightly raised from the ground by pieces of brick so as to afford better ventilation. After the cuttings remain in this condition for another two months, new roots develop and they are ready for transplantation.

The bed for transplants is prepared the previous winter, the ground having been ploughed and the soil pulverised. Early in the spring, when the cuttings are about to develop leaves, they are transplanted in rows about two or three feet apart and with inter-spaces of about 16 inches or two feet (Chinese measure). As many as 1500-2000 cuttings may be planted in a acre. The young plants are kept well-watered, and wood ashes are applied as fertiliser. After a month or so, diluted liquid night-soil may be applied. The young plants must be well-sheltered. Farmers sometimes plant ginger among the young rose bushes in order to give the latter the necessary shade. In the rainy season, the rose bed must be well-drained. Watering and weeding must also be kept up in summer time.

The most harmful insect to rose plants is the ya-chun, a tiny, grayish white worm feeding on the leaves of the plant. The pest may be killed by drenching the leaves with a tobacco solution. Liquid manure must be applied at regular intervals from spring to autumn in moderate quantities.

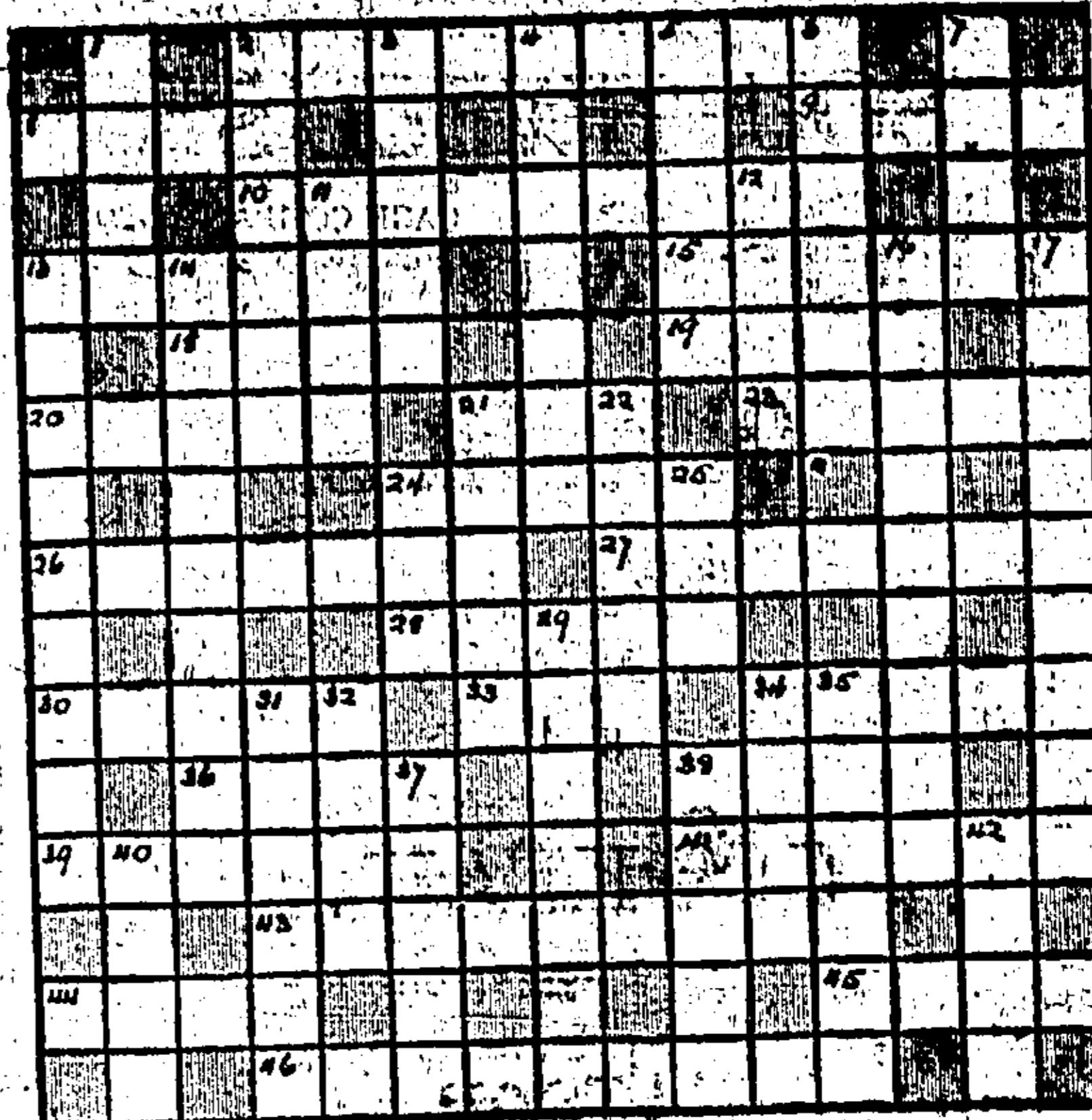
In January, compost manure consisting of canal dredgings, stable manure, night-soil and bean or other seed cakes must be applied very liberally so that a rich crop of flowers may be expected in the next spring.

After transplantation, a young rose plant will come to blossom in the following year. The flowering season lasts from February to April. After April, the plant must be pollarded short and in winter all its leaves must be removed so as to conserve its latent power for the next crop. A rose bush will continue to flower for about half a dozen years, after which it must be replaced with a new cutting.

After Pickling.

The flowers are picked by the farmers early in the morning and disposed of at the earliest possible moment. From Tseng-shing, the farmers take the flowers to Canton every morning by the Canton-Kowloon Railway. At places where the flowers cannot reach the market in a fresh condition owing to lack of transportation facilities, the farmers usually sell them in a preserved state. Rose essence is extracted by Kwantung farmers by a rather crude but effective method. A box is partitioned into many layers with glass plates, each being about two inches apart. Sorted rose petals are placed on each layer of the glass plates the under-surface of which is smeared with lard. The box is then hermetically sealed for about two hours, after which the fragrance of the flower is completely absorbed by the lard, which is then removed from the glass plates and distilled in an ordinary liquor distilling plant. By this method the rose essence can be easily collected. The rose is much employed by Kwantung manufacturers in scented face powder, tea, and alcoholic drinks. *China Economic Bulletin*.

## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE,



Down.

1 Ancient gold coin.

2 God.

3 More docile.

4 Furnishes.

5 Trunks.

6 Composition for six.

7 Descendant of Mohammed.

11 Articles.

12 Small quantity.

bakers and confectioners for flavouring candy and light refreshments. Rose essence is also extracted for various industrial uses. The method used by Kwantung farmers in preparing sugar-preserved roses for the bakers and confectioners may be briefly described as follows: The freshly picked flowers are first laid in an airy bamboo basket or crate and placed at some shade but well-ventilated place for about 20 hours. The flowers are then sorted, the stalks, calyxes and peduncles being removed, leaving only the petals. One hundred catties of flowers yield only about 50 catties of petals, which are stored in an earthenware jar together with five catties of sugar. The mixture is subjected to gentle pressure until the juice of the flower petals begins to ooze from the jar. The contents are then poured from the jar into a cloth bag and the juice is expressed to prevent an astringent taste being imparted to the sugar. The mixture is then put into a bigger jar, into which 300 catties of sugar are added. The jar is sealed and the contents are allowed to remain undisturbed for about 100 days, when the sugar and the petals become so thoroughly mixed that they turn into a pink or reddish crystallized mass ready for the market. (cf. the method of preparing "rose sand" in Nanking, in the article: "Roses as a Product," Bulletin No. 224, pp. 320-321.) This concoction, known as "rose-scented sugar," is sold at about \$35 per 100 catties, the cost of preparation being about \$83 for every 350 catties including both the cost of flowers and sugar.

which a pipe figures is that representing Mr. Baldwin.

By Blosser

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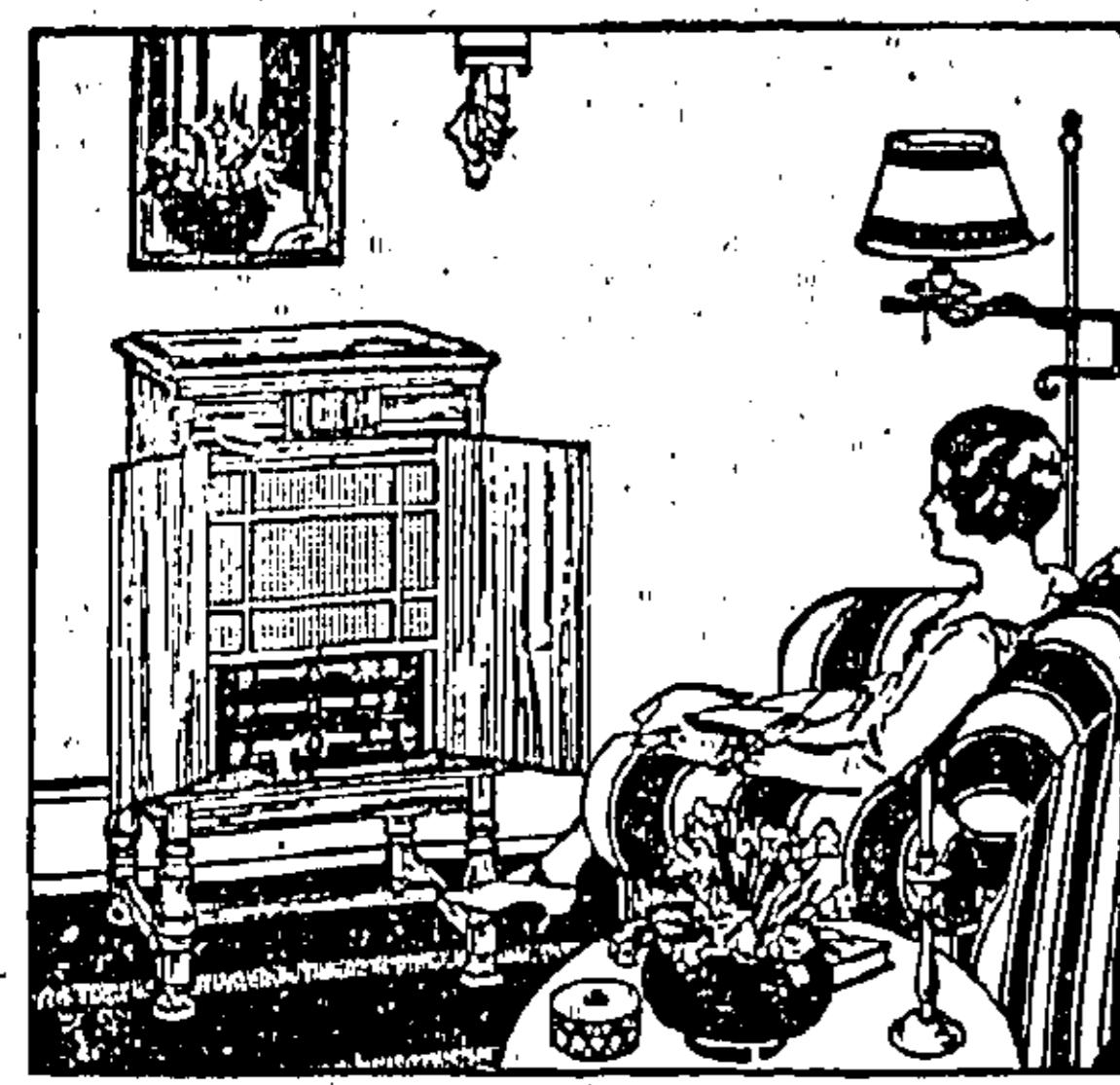


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### BIRTH.

RAWORTH.—At the Peak Hospital, on Oct. 30th, to Mrs. A. Basil Raworth, a son.

### DEATH.

LEE.—At his residence, 5, Gordon Road, Kowloon, on October 30. George Lee, Senr., aged 80 years. Funeral takes place this afternoon at 4 p.m.

### The Hongkong Telegraph.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1927.

### BRITAIN'S EXPORT TRADE.

The British export trade has suffered so badly since the war that every effort to stimulate it should be welcomed. In the great old days of the mid-nineteenth century Britons were the leading dealers in certain staple products. There was a period when two-thirds of the world's coal, two-thirds of the world's cotton, two-thirds of the world's pig-iron and steel went out from British ports. Those bounteous times are apparently gone for ever. In prime articles of commerce and consumption Britain has been caught up and in some has been passed. British manufacturers and dealers decline to throw up the sponge, however. If they have lost ground in some quarters they are seeking to regain it in others. Britons may still hope to sell the foreigner enough to pay for essential imports even if they can no longer command his markets as they used to do with locomotive engines and Manchester piece goods.

Modern scientific progress has created novel demands. Britain has been a little late in discovering the potentialities of these new fields and has allowed others to get far ahead in developing them. In motor-cars and cinema films Britain suffered the United States to establish an overwhelming superiority; and Germany at one time surpassed Britain in chemicals and electrical appliances. But these rivals are now challenged and their lead is being steadily reduced. British motor-cars, turned out by mass production, are running the Americans hard in Great Britain and hold their own for export.

From the latest Home papers to hand it would seem that British manufacturers are opening up another promising avenue. At the National Radio Exhibition recently held at Olympia there were to be seen agents from several countries.

France, Germany, Austria, Italy, the South American States, and Britain's Dominions sent representatives to this exhibition. British manufacturers went all out to do business with these important visitors. There is room for plenty of British made receivers abroad. In some countries wireless is still in its infancy, and the instruments are mostly imported. India, with its huge population and its half a million small towns and villages, ought to furnish a good market. Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa have all got the wireless habit rather badly, and there is no reason why they should not equip themselves from Great Britain. For such territories as Kenya Colony, Nigeria, and Ceylon the natural and obvious source of supply is the Home Country. In wireless apparatus, as in other branches of manufacture, British workmanship and British conscientiousness in the selection of material will tell if they can get their fair chances. It is encouraging to know that in these new industries of modern days Britain is taking her representative part.

### New Regulations.

There will have been a great deal of interest locally in the new Bills to be brought before the Legislative Council, one dealing with the imposition of stringent anti-rabies regulations, and the other designed to safeguard the distinction of the Boy Scouts' uniform and badges. The first measure is calculated to enforce the muzzling law, and to remove the controversy as to when a pup is no longer a pup. It will be recalled that there was a discussion some weeks ago concerning a case in which a young dog was shot near a children's playground, and the question was whether it was not so young as to come within the definition of a puppy, which is not required under present regulations, to be registered. It was as well to have a clear-cut ruling on the matter, such as the proposed Ordinance gives. Now, all dogs, whatever their age, are to be subject to the stringent enforcement of muzzling or leading. It is established that even a small pup can spread rabies if it becomes infected, so the objection to muzzling puppies never had any justification. The Government is evidently determined to remove the menace of rabies from our midst, and in this deserves the support and co-operation of all residents, including, of course, all dog-owners. So much for that. As regards the draft ordinance for the safeguarding of the Boy Scouts organisation as a distinctive body, it can be said that the measure is perhaps overdue. It has been found necessary in other parts of the world to make this provision, and in the Far East, where an unthinking imitative faculty is possibly more manifest, there is always the risk of some entirely different body assuming a semblance of the Baden Powell organisation and masquerading in a similar uniform. The recognition of the Boy Scouts by the governments of all nations, and their concentration under the original association founded in England, has made of the movement an international institution which, in its work as well as its splendid ideals, should be jealously safeguarded.

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### DAY BY DAY.

ALL OTHER PASSIONS DO OCCASIONAL GOOD, BUT WHEN PRIDE PUTS IN ITS WORD EVERYTHING GOES WRONG.—Ruskin.

The silk forwarded from here by "Empress of Canada" on the 5th October, arrived in New York (St. John's Park) on the 27th October, having been 22 days in transit.

The Fire Brigade was called out this morning to Tai Wong Street East, Wan Chai. The outbreak was confined to the chimney, and was extinguished without trouble.

A Chinese attempted to drown himself in the harbour, near the Yaumati Ferry Wharf, yesterday, but was rescued by sampan people and subsequently removed to hospital.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd will add eight new steamships on their Philippine European service during the coming year, according to Herr. W. Schmidt, who furnished the Manila Herald further details regarding the expansion of the firm's enterprise in the Philippines.

Hisano Shinna, a 23-year-old geisha girl employed at the Choi-toe Hotel at Wan Chai, was fatally injured yesterday in a fall from the second floor verandah of the building. The girl received head injuries from which she died soon afterwards. The remains have been removed to the Mortuary.

While driving along the Tai Po Road yesterday, Mr. Murdoch, living at No. 29A, Kennedy Road, was involved in an accident, when his car knocked down a Chinese and injured him in the leg, near the railway crossing off Namchung Street. According to Mr. Murdoch, the man suddenly dashed across the roadway. The victim was taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

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Charged with being in unlawful possession of two tree trunks, a Chinese woman at the Central Police Court this morning said that the case was trumped up by the Indian constable because he was unable to borrow fifty cents from her. He even made her carry the trunks to the police station. The story was not believed. Mr. Lindsell imposing a fine of \$10, with the alternative of 14 days' hard labour.

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### OBITUARY.

#### DEATH OF MAXIMILIAN HARDEN.

Berlin, Oct. 30.  
The death has occurred of Maximilian Harden.—Reuter.

Maximilian Harden was born in Berlin in October, 1861. His name was originally Isidor Witkowski. At the age of 16 he became a Christian. At first he was an actor, but later he took to writing. Under the pseudonym of "Apostata" he wrote "Critical Essays in Politics and the Times" (1892) which attracted attention. In 1896 came "Literature and the Theatre" and in 1903 a book on Sudermann. But the work by which he will be chiefly remembered is his weekly periodical *Die Zukunft*, founded in 1892 and nearly all written by himself in a crabbed style which is all his own.

Originally *Die Zukunft* found its raison d'être in criticism of the regime of Wilhelm II, support of the dismissed Bismarck and advocacy of a policy of force. Harden's greatest achievement was in 1907 when in order to discredit Prince Eulenberg, the friend of the Kaiser, who was regarded as the head of a camarilla surrounding Wilhelm, he made a grave charge which involved Lieut-General Kuno Moltke. The latter brought an action for libel against Harden who was at first acquitted. The charge was, however, brought again, this time by the Public Prosecutor and Harden was sentenced to four months' imprisonment, but this was reduced to a fine of 600 marks. For the rest he had the satisfaction of seeing Eulenberg fall into disfavour and of involving him in a prosecution for perjury, as a result of which he died after many years as a bedridden invalid, leaving the trial still unfinished.

During the war Harden at first advocated the war aims. Then while the war was still in progress he swung round entirely, wrote from the standpoint of the Independent Socialists and defended the policy of the Entente. At the same time he was writing in pro-Entente American papers articles capable of being used against his native land. He also later defended the provisions of the Versailles Treaty. In a collection of his *Zukunft* war-articles he cut out all the passages in which he had advocated extensive annexations. Naturally enough, this attitude did not appeal to his fellow-countrymen as particularly patriotic and when he proposed to undertake a lecture tour in America in 1921 the German-Americans raised such vigorous protests that the idea had to be abandoned. Later he was set upon in the street one night and badly injured.

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### The Very Idea!

A young barrister was arguing with great earnestness and eloquence in court one summer day. Suddenly he paused and said:

"I see your Lordship shakes his head, at several of my statement. I desire to reaffirm them, although your Lordship dissents."

"I have not intimated," replied the Judge, "how I should construe the evidence, or what my decision will be in the case, and your remark is quite uncalled for."

"But," insisted the young advocate, "you shook your head."

"That may be true," the Judge replied. "There was a fly on my ear, and I reserved the right to remove it in any manner I saw fit. Please proceed with your argument."

One died and another was seriously injured during the exciting period of the Dempsey-Tunney fight. James K. Chisolm, seventy-seven, of Eagle Rock, a suburb, was stricken with heart trouble during the seventh round of the bout and died almost immediately. Frank Cox, twenty-one, was taken to the receiving hospital with an ice pick plunged into his back up to the hilt. He said he got it in a crowd while he was cheering for one of the fighters. He probably will live, physicians said.

Ratemayer summoned at Action for unpaid rates. The council has been very kind and lenient to me. Magistrate: Councils are always kind and lenient.

Willesden woman: My husband woke up this morning practically in a fighting attitude.

Woman accused of drunkenness at the Thames Court. I had been to a birthday party. Mr. Cairne, discharging her: Keep away from birthday parties in the future. They have led more people into the dock than any other cause I know.

Violent deaths are so prevalent among children in Chicago that a boy between five and fourteen is more likely to die in an accident than because of disease, the safety committee of the National Safety Congress reported to the congress at its opening session to-day.

What could be less musical than a swearing husband or a nagging wife?—Bishop Weldon.

Broadcasting for the actor is a grave risk. I would never face it myself.—Mr. Seymour Hicks.

Democracy can only flourish by means of the triumph of reason and not by force.—Mr. Baldwin.

Whenever I hear anybody running down their own flag or own country I always begin to suspect their ancestors.—Mrs. Baldwin.

A Priest entered a barber's shop, conducted by one of his parishioners, to get a shave. He observed that the barber was suffering from a recent celebration, but decided to take a chance. In a few moments the barber's razor had nicked the father's cheek.</

## ITALIAN MOVEMENTS WATCHED.

## FRENCH AND GERMAN COMMENT.

## TANGIER "DEMONSTRATION."

London, Oct. 30.  
The visit of an Italian naval squadron to Tangier with Prince Udine, who yesterday opened the Italian Scholastic Hospital and other buildings, has provoked varied emotional reactions in European capitals, in view of the impending conference to revise the Tangier Statute, which Italy does not recognise.

## "Unfriendly" Act.

The Paris newspapers regard the Italian "demonstration" as an unfriendly act.

The *Oeuvre* says that the commemoration of the anniversary of the Fascist revolution is assuming a Gallophobic form.

The *Humanité* accuses Italian Fascism of going to help Spanish Fascism, with which it is secretly leagued in the Mediterranean policy.

On the contrary, French official circles consider that the demonstration is "merely theatrical." A semi-official statement hopes for negotiations for the revision of the statute, firstly between France and Spain alone, and afterwards, with the inclusion of England and Italy, they might lead to a speedy agreement. In the meantime there can be no question of inviting Italy to "put her oar in."

## A "Panther Spring."

A Berlin message says that the Italian demonstration is described in Germany as a "panther spring," and has resulted in columns of the newspaper reminiscences of the ex-Kaiser's despatch of the warship Panther to demonstrate at Agadir.

The *Vorwärts* declares it is directed against England and France, but the *Vossische Zeitung* is of opinion that Britain will welcome Italy's action to speed up Franco-British negotiations. —*Reuter*.

## IN AID OF THE M.C.L.

## BRIGHT PROGRAMME AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

A concert and dancing display has been arranged for next Thursday evening at Government House, by kind permission of H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. Mr. Southorn. The entertainment, which is in aid of the Ministering Children's League, and Hongkong Women's Guild, and therefore worthy of hearty support, promises to be a very enjoyable one. Some of the best available local amateur talent has been engaged for the concert, which will include musical and vocal items, and for the dancing in the latter part of the programme. The entertainment will be held in the ballroom, and there is ample accommodation for a large gathering. It will commence at 5 o'clock.

Tickets, at \$1 each, may be obtained from Messrs. Moutrie and Co., and from the Anderson Music Company.

## TO RADIO EXPERTS.

## A SPECIAL PROGRAMME.

The local officers of the Holland-China Trading Company have received a telegram this morning, informing them that in commemoration of the number of workmen employed at Messrs. Philips factory reaching to-day the 10,000 mark, there will be special broadcasting by Eindhoven (Holland) to-morrow, Tuesday, 1st November, from 2 to 10 a.m. local time.

Messrs. Philips will also broadcast until further notice, on Tuesday and Thursday every week, from 17 to 20 G.M.T.

The Company will appreciate to hear from any local short wave station (30.6 meter), which has been able to listen in.

## THE SOUTH AFRICAN FLAG.

## GENERAL SMUTS' VIEWS.

London, Oct. 30.  
In reply to a request for his opinion on the flag settlement in South Africa, General Smuts has telegraphed to the *Sunday Observer*.

"The dual flag settlement is a generous measure, which leaves the position of the Union Jack intact, while the national flag provides for strong national sentiment. I consider it on its merits a wise and statesmanlike solution, and expect that further beneficial results may follow in the improved temper and greater sense of unity between the white races." —*British Wireless*.

## SOCIETY ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.

## ANOTHER YEAR'S USEFUL WORK.

## ASSISTING THE POOR.

We have received from Mr. J. M. Alves, the President of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a copy of the Central Council's report for last year and a statement for the first nine months of this year, which shows that the Society has during the past year distributed over \$17,000 in the relief of the poor of Hongkong. The expenditure in 1926 was \$55.85 in excess of the receipts.

The following extracts are from the lengthly report:

In presenting this report and statement of accounts the Council desires to express its grateful thanks to the public of Hongkong for their generous response to the Society's two annual appeals—"Our Poor Day" Sale of Roses and the "Al Fresco Fete." It has been gratifying to note that these two chief sources of the Society's income were not too adversely affected by the general business depression and the conditions then prevailing. This was some tribute to the confidence bestowed upon the Society by the public in entrusting it with their alms; a proof of practical assistance which has been very cordially appreciated by the Council and by all those who worked so hard and so devotedly for the success of the Fete. The net proceeds last year were \$13,488.15 as against \$14,849.83 in 1925.

The Society is gratefully indebted to Mr. C. A. da Rosa, A.S.A.A. for auditing the accounts. Relief in Money and Provisions.

During the nine months—January to September, 1927—the Society contributed to the maintenance of 180 families comprising 221 persons, irrespective of race, nationality or creed, and 1296 visits were made to the Poor in their homes. The expenditure for the first nine months of this year was \$5,961.60 as against \$5,504.00 for the same period in 1926. The Society has also assisted the children of these poor people with shoes and clothing to the extent of \$164.40.

## Housing Accommodation.

In consequence of the acute trade depression and the consequent increase in the number of the unemployed the housing of the Poor has given to the Society no little anxiety during the period under review. This is revealed by the appreciable increase of relief for rent, which in 1926 amounted to \$91.20, whilst for the nine months—January to September, 1927—\$1,692.10 has already been given, of which grants to the extent of \$263.20 were made to assist some distressed families in their plight against restraint for rent. For certain families, whose special circumstances justified such a course, the Society now leases No. 23 Kwong Ming Street, a four storeyed building at Wan Chai, situated close to school and hospital. At a cost of \$180.00 each floor has been divided into cubicles, according to the needs of the various families. Electric Light has also been installed on the premises at a cost of \$55.00.

## Passages for Distressed Persons.

The Society had again to deal with a large number of applications for passages to other ports where the applicants hoped to find better opportunities of earning a living. Passages were provided only in those cases which, after careful investigation, were found deserving. But as among the applicants there are many who are entire strangers to the Colony, it is very difficult for any charitable association to satisfy itself as to the merits of such cases. In this connexion, the Council feels glad to announce to its benefactors that the centralization scheme referred to in our last year's report has been established under the style of "General Charities Organization Committee." It is financed by the various charitable Societies of the Colony with the assistance of the Government, and each subscribing Society has a representative on the Committee. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul has made a grant of \$100.00 as its first annual contribution towards the expenses of the Organization, which it is hoped will be a permanent institution.

## Education of Children.

This is a work to which the Society devotes much of its time and attention. 86 children are receiving an English education at the expense of the Society, and 157 boys are attending its Vernacular School—the Kai Ling School—at Wan Chai. The excess of expenditure over receipts on account of this school during the nine months ended 30th September, 1927, was \$1,012.00, besides which a grant of \$83.00 was made for school furniture for the new branch school.

The Society is also assisting a Vernacular School for Chinese girls, the Tai Ying at Wan Chai. It pays the fees of some of the (Continued on Page 11.)

## BRAVE OFFICERS.

## A PRESENTATION AT SHANGHAI.

## SUNNING PIRACY RECALLED.

A gathering of insurance and shipping men attended a presentation ceremony on Tuesday morning at 11.30 o'clock in the office of Messrs. Beck & Swann, Ltd., 17 The Bund, Shanghai, when the Shanghai Marine Underwriters' Association showed its commendation of the heroic services of two mercantile marine officers, Mr. Joseph Stewart Hurst and Mr. George Cormack, who wrested the str. Sunning from pirates last November.

Mr. Hurst, who was Second Officer of the Sunning, received a pair of binoculars and a cheque for Tls. 807.78 and Mr. Cormack, Chief Engineer, received a gold watch and chain, the gifts being engraved from the Shanghai and Hongkong Marine Underwriters' "In recognition of heroic conduct in the str. Sunning-piracy in November 1926." Another officer, Mr. T. P. Beatty, who was Chief Officer of the Sunning, will receive a telescope and a cheque for Tls. 489.88 in Hongkong in recognition of his part in the episode.

Mr. Hurst, who joined the local shipping firm, Butterfield & Swire in 1925, has served in several ships, including the Chekiang, Hsin Peking and Wanliu. He was appointed to the Sunning on June 4, 1926. He was on watch on the eventful Monday afternoon, November 16, when 40 pirates disguised as passengers divided up into fighting squads, search and guard parties, captured the officers and took charge of the ship. After they were in control, the pirates allowed the officers a certain amount of liberty and Mr. Hurst had the initiative to possess himself of a .32 Colt revolver and 30 rounds which he had hidden away in his room. More weapons were rounded up by Mr. Hurst and Mr. Beatty and the others and by midnight of the day of the capture the officers of the ship made a run for the bridge to recapture it.

That they were successful forms one of the most thrilling incidents in a long list of China Coast Piracies.

Chief Engineer Wounded.

The Chief Engineer, Mr. Cormack, was wounded during all this and spent some time in the Government Civil Hospital in Hongkong. Mr. Cormack joined Butterfield & Swire in 1898 and during his long service has been in several ships, chief among which are the Poyang, Wenchow (old), Kinkiang and Sunning. At present he is Chief Engineer of the Wenchow.

Mr. E. C. Emmett, of the Insurance Department of Jardine, Matheson & Co., and chairman of the local Marine Underwriters' Association, presided at yesterday's presentation and made the following remarks:

Our gathering to-day is for a purpose which is without precedent in the annals of the Shanghai Marine Underwriters' Association. That is primarily to do honour to the men who so bravely re-took the str. Sunning from the pirates who captured her while bound from Shanghai to Hongkong in November last year. Secondly, to ask them to accept mementos of that occasion, with cheques for the balance of the sum subscribed by Companies, members of the Hongkong and Shanghai Associations.

In singling these men out for honour and special recognition of their bravery, I am sure that you will agree with me when I express the opinion that many of our seafaring men serving on the dangerous China Coast would have acted in a similar manner, in similar circumstances, if the opportunity to do so had presented itself, but it must be borne in mind that the methods adopted by these pirates on the coast are such as to make organized resistance difficult, if not impossible, and the ship once in their hands, I imagine the chance of her recapture very rarely arises.

Bravery by No Means Rare.

I like to feel, however, that in honouring the officers of the str. Sunning, we are paying a tribute to our Mercantile Marine as a whole, seeing that deeds of bravery among them are not by any means scarce, as we residents in the Far East have particular reason to know.

I think the mementoes we are giving to these Officers will be specially valued by them, not because of their intrinsic worth, but in view of fact that they are presented by an Underwriters' Association numbering among its members representatives of no fewer than 12 countries who, whilst necessarily differing in their characteristics and viewpoints, are all united in their admiration of brave deeds.

Coming down to more prosaic considerations, the members of this Association are vitally interested in the prevention of (Continued on Page 11.)

## OPPRESSION IN KIANGSI.

## MILITARY EXACTIONS INTOLERABLE.

## PEOPLE IMPOVERISHED.

Yushan, Ki., Oct. 10. If this city does not become poor, it will not be the fault of the Nationalist army! The troops stationed here during the summer demanded \$50,000 before they were willing to move on. Five days after they had left, another lot appeared, having come across from Anhui. And they demanded a like sum of money! The people are almost desperate. Each one is apportioned so much, and if he refuses to pay or thinks the sum too great for his means, he is arrested, and has no chance of getting out until he has paid the said sum and the et ceteras! As that has gone on for nearly a year, it can be imagined that the people are getting more than weary of the military oppression. As we are on the border of Chekiang, Fukien, and Anhui, we get the full benefit of the troops coming from all these provinces. And, of course, what they demand in the way of money is over and above the ordinary taxes, or the contributions to public funds.

The "hsien" magistrate seems to have come to the end of his reign! He knew that a while ago, and so tried to provide for himself before it was too late. But the Political Bureau got wind of it, and held him in custody in the yamen. It is rumoured that he had a hand in bringing the present troops here! At any rate he is now at liberty.

**Tea Shops Closed.**

All the tea shops were closed for several days last week, as they refused to pay a monthly tax of \$200 levied on each shop. I believe they got the victory in the end!

And yet, in spite of all the adverse conditions, we go on quietly with our work. In all the country places specially the gospel is gladly received, and many books are sold. Much work has been done among the pilgrims, and the Chinese preachers send a most encouraging report.

**Prohibition of Opium.**

In the city the people are as friendly as ever, and do all they can to help me. Many of them are very indignant at our premises still being used by the soldiers, when there is plenty of room outside. Many of the officers too are friendly, and often come for a visit. Quite a number of them have been glad to receive pocket Testaments. So there is encouragement as well as discouragement. —*N. C. D. News Correspondent.*

**Attraction at the Queen's.**

The current attraction at the Queen's Theatre, which is entitled "So This Is Marriage," is rightly described as a shrewd exposé of married life in its earlier stages. It deals with the matrimonial "inaptitudes" of a newly-wedded couple, who are placed temporarily apart, in sympathetic as well as cynical vein, while pointing the right moral to those who would embark on the same adventure.

A popular star, Eleanor Boardman, has the leading role in the cast, with Conrad Nagel taking the part of the ardent husband. Lew Cody fills out the third angle in a triangle which is presented in a really interesting light. They make a popular combination, which has ensured the success of every production in which they have appeared, and the present film is no exception.

**Great efforts are made by parents who send their children to mission schools. I wonder if the children appreciate it all. No wonder a Chinese book says: "Yangtsu neng chih fu-mu en" i.e., "When you bring up a son you will realize the favours you received from your parents."**

**Attraction at the Queen's.**

A heavy rain which made the road impassable has been followed by a cold snap. I shivered as I waited for the boat in which to cross the Yellow River. There was some compensation, however, in watching the sun rise over a bank of clouds which looked just like a range of punteled hills.

The roads were so bad that the bicycle had to be wheeled for more than half of the 50 miles covered on the last day's journey.

**OBITUARY.**

**THE "IRENE" CASE IN COURT.**

The Irene piracy case was opened before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, the Senior Magistrate, at the Central Police Court, this afternoon, when seven men were charged with the piracy of the China Merchants Navigation Company's steamer Irene, while on a voyage from Shanghai to Amoy.

At this preliminary Police Court hearing, the Crown Solicitor, (Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith) is conducting the case for the Crown, while Mr. C. A. S. Russ is watching the proceedings in the interests of the owners of the pirated vessel.

The hearing will, it is predicted, take no fewer than ten sittings in view of the large number of witnesses to be brought into the court.

**A 30-ton clock has just been made at Whitchurch, Shropshire, by Messrs. J. B. Joyce and Co. for the new Chinese Maritime Customs House, Shanghai. The clock, which will probably be the "Big Ben" of the Far East and**

## UP-COUNTRY AFFAIRS.

## TURNIPS GROWING ON A MOTOR ROAD.

## A BICYCLE EXCURSION.

**Th following notes on a trip just concluded through seven counties may or may not be of interest to your readers, writes a N. C. D. News correspondent. Starting after breakfast, a bee line was made for the motor road, on which traffic of the motor variety ceased in the spring, and traffic by cart and wheelbarrow commenced. As a consequence the road has been ruined. Some enterprising farmers have planted turnips at intervals, and one with greater faith has sown a section of the road with next spring's wheat.**

**At other places cross tracks have been made and the earth piled up on either side. To crown all the cyclist has to contend with a peculiar kind of thorny weed which grows all over the surface.**

**Six punctures were made the first day in your correspondent's back tire. One constantly marvels at the skill which the Chinese show in riding over the narrowest paths.**

**The words which come forcibly**

**to one's mind during such journeys are: "Let him that thinketh he sitteth take heed lest he fall."**

**A new motor road is nearing completion running from Tsinan to the sea at Yangchikau, a distance of 160 miles. The surface looks nice and clean just now but the road is scarcely wide enough for cars to pass.**

**The road bordering the south bank of the Yellow River running east and west of Tsinan is in good condition. I suppose the lightest duties to be found in the world must be those of the men in charge of some of the stations on this road. About nine o'clock one car goes up, and about three o'clock another car comes down. In each case another official solemnly blows a whistle to start the car, and the day's work is done.**

**Prohibition of Opium.**

**Proclamations were posted at each county town with the ostensible object of prohibiting the smoking of opium. The actually licensed of opium smokers. The rule is one man, one lamp, which is "not translatable."**

**It is even rumoured that opium is to be grown in some parts of Shantung shortly as a method of raising revenue. At various centres the magazine and poster just issued by the Chinese Anti-Opium movement were encountered. The well-meant efforts of this Society are to be commended, but propaganda alone will not free China from opium.**

**Some of the government schools**

**in the county towns have very few pupils, one I hear of with only seven.**

**Great efforts are made by**

**parents who send their children to mission schools. I wonder if the children appreciate it all. No wonder a Chinese book says: "Yangtsu neng chih fu-mu en" i.e., "When you bring up a son you will realize the favours you received from**



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## THE WORLD OF SPORT

### ARMY SIDES FAIL SOME SENIOR LEAGUE SURPRISES.

KEEN LOCAL SOCCER.  
By "Wanderer."

For those who imagined that the military teams would sweep unresisted through the Senior Division of the Hongkong Football League at the expense of the civilian sides, Saturday's results were something of an eye-opener.

The five army teams were engaged, all against civilian clubs, and between them they managed to secure one point only, the K.O.S.B. forcing a draw with South China, while the Scots Guards went down to the Club de Recreio, the R.A.F. lost to Kowloon, the Queen's to the general surprise conceded the spoils to the Police, while the R.A. failed to upset the Chinese Athletic sequence of victories.

Low scoring obtained in the Junior Division "A," even the riotous K.O.S.B. Reserves failing to register more than two goals.

#### The Results.

The results were:

#### Senior Division.

K.O.S.B.	1	South China
Recreio	4	Scots Guards
Kowloon	4	R.A.F.
Queen's Regt.	0	Police
Chinese Ath.	3	R.A.

#### Junior Division "A".

S. China "B"	0	K.O.S.B.
St. Joseph's	1	Kowloon
Recreio	2	University
S. China "A"	0	Chinese Ath.

#### Junior Division "B".

Kowloon	1	Chinese Ath.
Kung Woo	5	Boy Scouts
St. Joseph's	1	S. China "A"
Moslems	1	S. China "B"

#### South China Do Well.

A story of missed chances accounts for the failure of the Borderers to defeat South China, though due credit should be accorded the South China defence for a fine back-to-the-wall display against odds.

In almost all departments of the game, the K.O.S.B. were superior. They made ground by neat combination, the half-backs giving the forwards excellent support, while South China relied on long swinging passes to initiate their attempts at breaking away.

Tse Li-wa, the South China goalkeeper, was kept on his toes during a big proportion of the first half, but the K.O.S.B. were not in their best shooting mood and caused him little real anxiety. Spasmodically the South China forwards were set on move, and there was always a spice of danger about their movements.

The interval was reached with the score sheet blank, but a lead to which they might easily have held, was secured by the Borderers some fifteen minutes after the restart, McGlinchey centring accurately for Stock to score, with another goal, very much like his second, gathering the ball smartly, dashing through and giving Jackson never a chance.

The Club de Recreio countered the bolterous play of the Guards with speed and cleverness, and an occasional touch of their own medicine. They fully deserved their success though their quick goals came at a somewhat surprising period.

Xavier and A.A. Remedios were outstanding in defence, the former rarely placing a foot wrong, while Gosano, who gave a superb exhibition, was well supported, particularly by Silva and Brown.

Gosano never inspired real confidence in their ability to contend with the vigorous push of the soldiers.

This in spite of the fact that the Recreio were ahead, for few other players could have scored the goals netted by Gosano, while Rocha's, the second, was in the nature of a gift by accident.

What amusement could be found in frequent carpetings of players on both sides was afforded in full measure in the first half, the Recreio retaliating when the Scots Guards shoved them; I am afraid, usual robust tactics. Thrills were in plenty, and at one time in the Scots Guards' goal-mouth so many infringements were committed that it was not surprising the referee found himself a trifle puzzled. Jackson, the goalkeeper, was charged over when not in possession, and was put down again immediately he rose to his feet, but somehow without his assistance the Guards cleared the ball.

Jackson was later cautioned by Capt. Austin for an offence against a Recreio player, but it seemed to me in his case that he was sinning against rather than sinning. The Scots Guards pursued much the same tactics throughout, but in view of their bulk this might have been excused for the many glaring deliberate attempts at tripping after an opponent had beaten them.

Gosano was brought down heavily when attempting a break through in the first half. He was carried off suffering from an injury very much akin to a knock-out punched. In the second half, he was his old self again, and he equalised Caswell's first half goal, with a brilliant left-foot shot from close range although twice tackled.

Rocha, unmarked, a few feet from goal received the ball unexpectedly from the right, soon afterwards, and Jackson was helpless, and before the excitement had fully died away, Gosano receiving about thirty yards out, resisting several spoiling efforts, put on the third with a brilliant shot.

The Guards put everything into their play, and Woollard netted after some exciting play, but Gosano put the issue beyond doubt with another goal, very much like his second, gathering the ball smartly, dashing through and giving Jackson never a chance.

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As may be judged from the fact that they scored four goals against a defence which had never previously conceded more than two in a match, Kowloon gave a virile display against the R.A.F. on the Kowloon ground, and were full value for their success.

In the first half, Miles opened the scoring after May had struck the cross-bar with a fast shot, and Vernon equalised for the R.A.F., the interval score of 1-1 being more or less a correct estimation of the sides up to that point.

Kowloon's youthful side found it in no uncertain manner in the second half, however, and the R.A.F. were outplayed. Sims held the defence together admirably, and his forward passes were always beautifully accurate. May, who gave one of his best exhibitions throughout, scored Kowloon's second with a bright effort, and soon afterwards the same player again puzzled the R.A.F. defence and defeated Williams with ease.

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All round improvement was noticeable in the Kowloon side. The defence gave very little away, and the forwards showed an understanding not achieved in any previous game. Sims was on top form, Caveiro and Dodson were sound in almost everything they did, and Baldwin made a welcome reappearance.

The R.A.F. defence was in good trim, but the forwards never settled down and rarely roused the hopes of their supporters.

#### Gosano's Brilliance.

It is not too much to say that Gosano won, by his individual brilliance, the match for the Club de Recreio against the Scots Guards. Until the last fifteen minutes, when the Guards, apparently feeling badly stung after seeing a goal lead at half-time reduced to a deficiency of two goals, were haphazard in almost everything they did, the Club de Recreio

### AN EASTERN CHESS ORGANISATION.

#### INTER-ASIATIC TOURNEY PROPOSED.

A Far Eastern Chess Federation, intended to promote international competition in the Orient, was recently organized by M. Dimant; last year's chess champion of Shanghai, says a Manila paper. The organization of the federation was proposed on October 18, according to information received in Manila yesterday.

At present, the new federation counts chess players in the Philippines, Australia, Japan, China, East Dutch Indies, Siam, New Zealand and British India, among its members. In rating, China stands No. 1, and the Philippines, No. 2.

According to present plans of the federation, a Far Eastern chess tournament will be held next year at Shanghai, the winner to compete in the international championships for the world's title. The second Far Eastern tournament will be held in Manila.

It is believed that the new federation will inject more interest into the ancient game of chess in cities of the Orient.

#### Police Surprise.

Without Woodards and one or two other regular players, the Queen's Royal Regiment found the Police defence far too much in evidence for their liking, and finally by the only goal of the game, Howarth heading in from the corner, the Police gained both points.

Generally speaking, the defences were on top, and at one time it appeared likely that a goalless draw would result. Territorially, the Queen's had a trifle more of the game, and in the closing stages they gave Wynne and Clark considerable work.

Wynne gave one of his best displays, kicking cleanly, tackling assiduously, while he was not averse to using his weight to good purpose. Barclay was outstanding in the Queen's front rank, and he had bad luck on several occasions.

#### Win the Fifth.

One rarely expects a Chinese team to become a second half team, but in nearly all their games this season, the Chinese Athletic have not made victory certain until the second half. They do not fully die away, Gosano receiving about thirty yards out, resisting several spoiling efforts, put on the third with a brilliant shot.

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#### School Football.

On Friday the Diocesan Boys' School, on their own ground, played a friendly match with a team from the Central British School. The game was fast and interesting, being keenly contested throughout. The D. B. S. won by five goals to two.

### LAKE WINS TITLE.

#### EXCELLENT SHOWING WITH NIXON.

#### THE BOXING TOURNAMENT.

[By "Wanderer."]

One would describe the fight for the lightweight championship of the Colony, at the City Hall on Saturday, as interesting, rather than exciting. Stoker Percy Lake was always a shade too clever for Pte. Nixon and after a full distance bout, he was given the verdict.

As the rounds receded off, the fight pursued much the same course, Lake being mainly aggressive, much faster both of foot and punch, while Nixon exhibited a sound defence, taking much on his fore-arms, while he countered with nice straight blows.

Lake went off flushed after a stinging blow at the outset, and sent his man down with a neat clip to the point in the opening round. Never afterwards did a knock-out look at all likely for Lake's clever boxing was backed by little effectiveness in the punching line, while Nixon, who is reputed to be a hard hitter, appeared somewhat disconcerted by Lake's clever headwork, and seldom allowed himself the privilege of letting loose with full power. When he did, Lake was usually dancing away, and Nixon found himself on the ropes.

The army man showed up more strongly from the eighth to the thirteenth round than at any other time, and it seemed he was wearing Lake down. The new champion, however, came back very efficiently in the closing stages, they gave Wynne and Clark considerable work.

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Both Lake and Nixon weighed in at 131½ lbs., though Nixon looked the bigger man. Little time was wasted in settling down. Nixon led off with some two-handed punches most of which found Lake going away undamaged. For a moment Nixon left his jaw unguarded, and Lake whipped in a pretty right which had the effect of sending Nixon to the board, but no more.

Lake made full use of his speed in the second and landed some nice clean blows at range, dancing away before Nixon could get in an effective counter. Nixon followed up his man and punished Lake about the body during some in-fighting. Lake played for the body in the third round and in the main got away unscathed. Nixon was fighting with restraint, but the knock-down in the first round had taught him a lesson and his defensive work was excellent.

Huff Defeats Hume.

Boxing with nice judgment and employing a darling left to good purpose, Pte. Huff, R.A.C. gained a decision, well-earned, over Pte. Hume, K.O.S.B. Huff boxed as a man of ring experience as opposed to Hume, who relied on grit and stamina to carry him through a hard battle.

Huff rattled his man with swift lefts to the face, and fought coolly and confidently. Hume, who was out-boxed and out-fought in the open, struggled hard to get to close grips, and at in-fighting, he was a trifle superior.

He was always worried by Huff's left, and in the closing stages took a considerable amount of punishment, though he battled on pluckily to the end. Huff was a convincing winner.

#### A Curious End.

If the low blow which Illingworth protested had put him down for the count was actually struck, very few in the audience saw it. Stoker Britt was awarded the fight on a knock-out in the second round after a rather remarkable incident, particularly as one would suppose Britt to be old enough in ringcraft to know better.

It was obvious from the commencement that Illingworth was outclassed. Britt punished him very much at will, and the bout was uninteresting and one-sided. In the second round Britt rushed at his man, who slipped to one side, Britt falling almost full-length with his head clean through the ropes. Illingworth who had been badly knocked about before suddenly collapsed and was counted out, afterwards claiming that Britt had fouled him in his rush.

#### Poor But Amusing.

The concluding match sent the audience away in a good humour. Although 22lb. heavier than Piper Smith, his opponent, Corp. George, of the Scots Guards, showed little knowledge of even the rudiments of boxing. He may have been afraid to let himself go, at least he had himself pretty well tied up from start to finish. Smith was given the decision though very little boxing took place.

### ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

#### LADIES SECTION.

## HOME FOOTBALL.

## RESULTS AND LEAGUE TABLES.

Full results of Saturday's Home football matches as cabled by *cutter* are given below:

Division I.			
Arsenal	1	Bolton	2
Aston Villa	3	Newcastle	0
Burnley	3	Wednesday	1
Bury	1	Middlesb.	1
Derby	1	Tottenham	1
Leicester	4	Cardiff	2
Liverpool	4	Blackburn	2
Portsmouth	1	Everton	6
Sheffield U.	8	Birmingham	1
Sunderland	3	Huddersfield	0
West Ham	1	Manchester U.	2

## SHEK O GOLF.

## CAPT. H. G. BLOXHAM WINS THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

The golf championship of the Shek O Country Club was played yesterday, and resulted in Capt. Bloxham winning with an aggregate score of 151. His play was of a high standard throughout the day despite the high wind that was blowing. In the morning he went round in 78, and he improved upon this in the afternoon by five strokes. His 73 was the best of the day.

D. G. Bruce was a good second, only three shots behind. His score of 164 was made up of rounds of 76 and 78. G. Murray, who won the championship last year, was third with 165. In the morning he went round in 81, and he returned a 74 in the afternoon. Details follow:

Capt. H. G. Bloxham ..... 151  
D. G. Bruce ..... 154  
G. Murray ..... 155  
F. S. Harrison ..... 163  
E. Grimble ..... 168  
A. E. Barlow ..... 171  
A. Cameron ..... 175  
M. M. Mans ..... 181  
J. K. Bousfield ..... 183  
J. W. Alabaster ..... 183

## KOWLOON CHAMPIONSHIP.

## Qualifying Round Played Yesterday.

The qualifying round of the championship of the Kowloon Golf Club was played yesterday. The following are the principal scores, the first sixteen qualifying:

F. E. Remedios ..... 74  
A. V. Da Roza ..... 70  
A. W. Roberts ..... 83  
J. D. Thompson ..... 84  
F. C. Barry ..... 84  
E. T. Andrews ..... 85  
F. Lieckley ..... 89  
P. X. Remedios ..... 89  
G. Gray ..... 89  
T. G. Martin ..... 93  
T. Mitchell ..... 93  
H. Overy ..... 95  
P. E. Lawrence ..... 95  
W. S. Hillier ..... 97  
J. C. McLaggan ..... 97  
H. G. Howard ..... 98  
W. Taylor ..... 99  
G. B. Slipper ..... 100

## TENNIS.

## CHINESE R. C. v. UNITED SERVICES R. C.

In a friendly encounter the Chinese Recreation Club defeated the United Services Recreation Club by four matches to two at the U.S.R.C. ground yesterday afternoon. Following are the doubles scores:

Lu, Lo (C.R.C.) beat Majors Lucas and Stevenson, (U.S.R.C.) 6-3,

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts. 7-5.

Ho Ka-lau and Yew Man-kit (C.R.C.) beat Dr. Totterham, and North (U.S.R.C.) 6-4, 6-3.

Lo Man-kam and Ng Sze-kwong (C.R.C.) beat Dr. Totterham and North 6-4, 6-2.

Ho Ka-lau and Yew Man-kit beat Col. Russell Brown and Stevenson 6-3, 6-3.

Stevenson and North beat Ho Ka-lau and Yew Man-kit 6-3, 6-2.

In the singles Capt. Prowatt beat Ng Sze-kwong 6-4, 6-3.

Referee:—Mr. H. G. Hegarty.

YACHTING.

## RESULT OF SATURDAY'S CRUISE.

Under the auspices of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, a Service cruise over a course from Channel Rocks (port), Kowloon Rocks (port) to Cusit Rock (port) was held on Saturday, the result being as follows:

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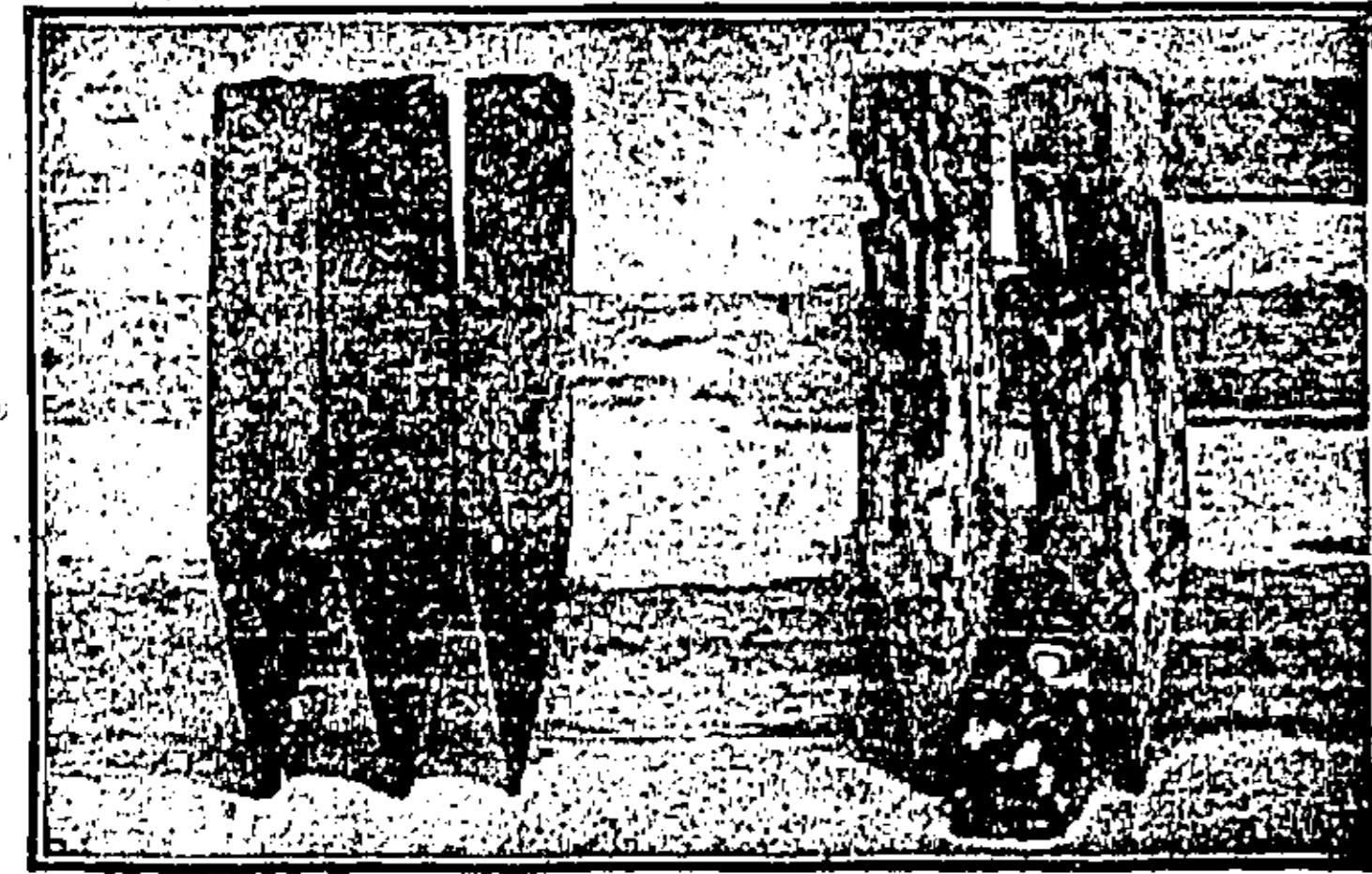
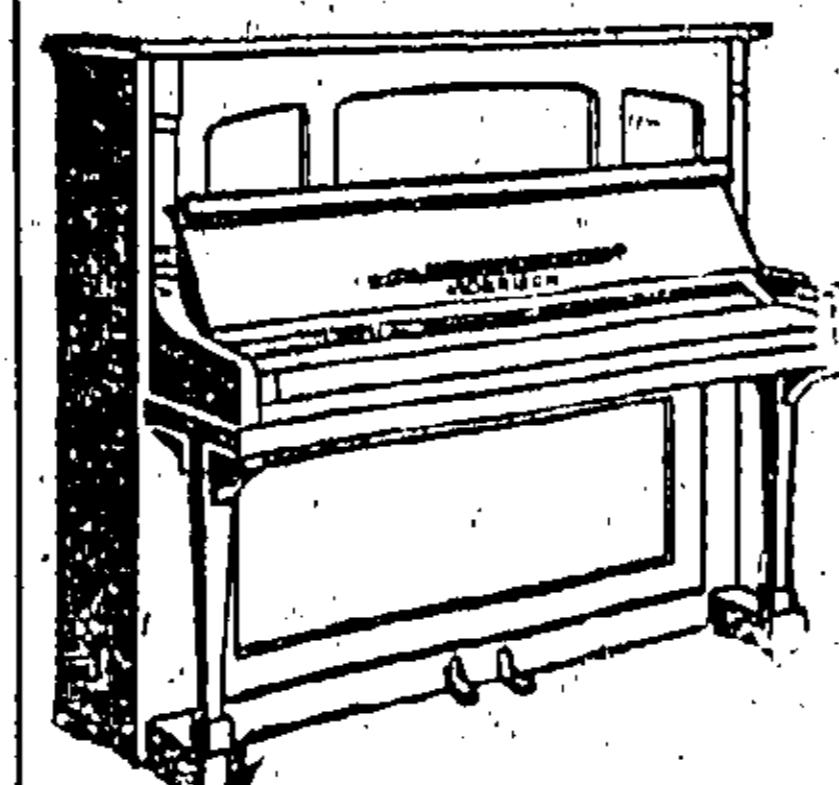
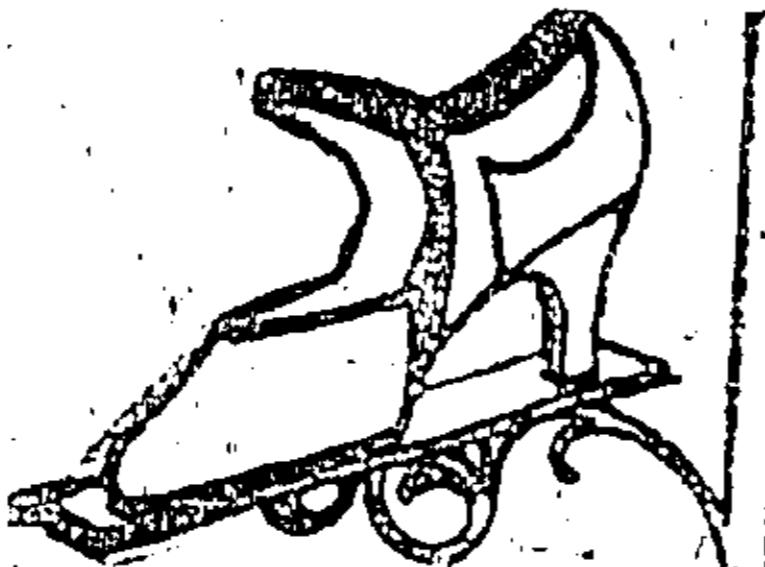
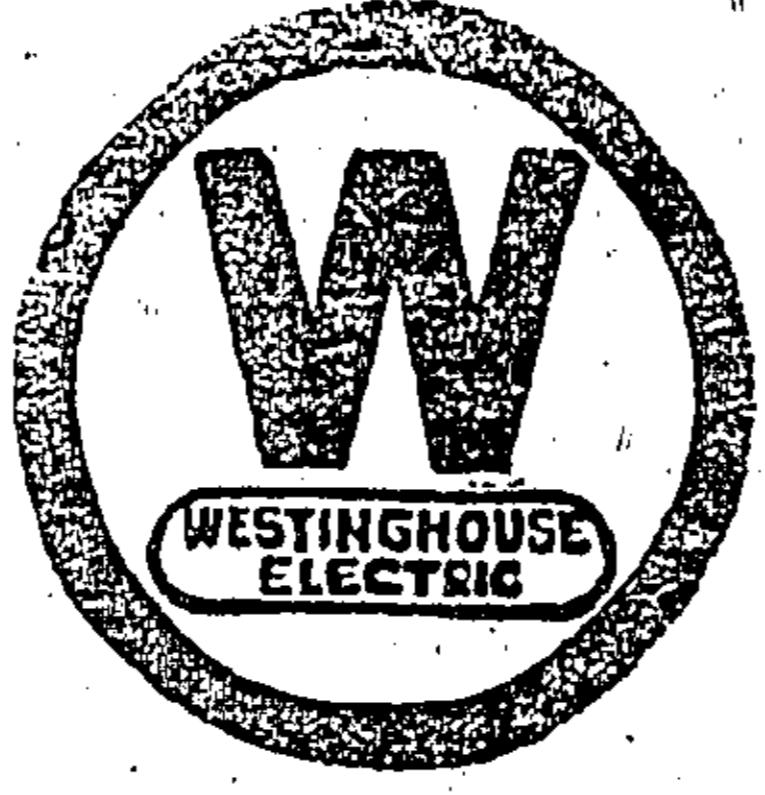
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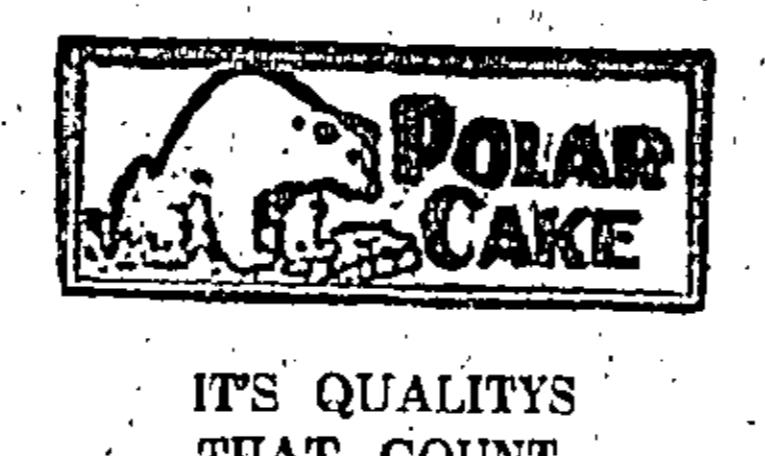
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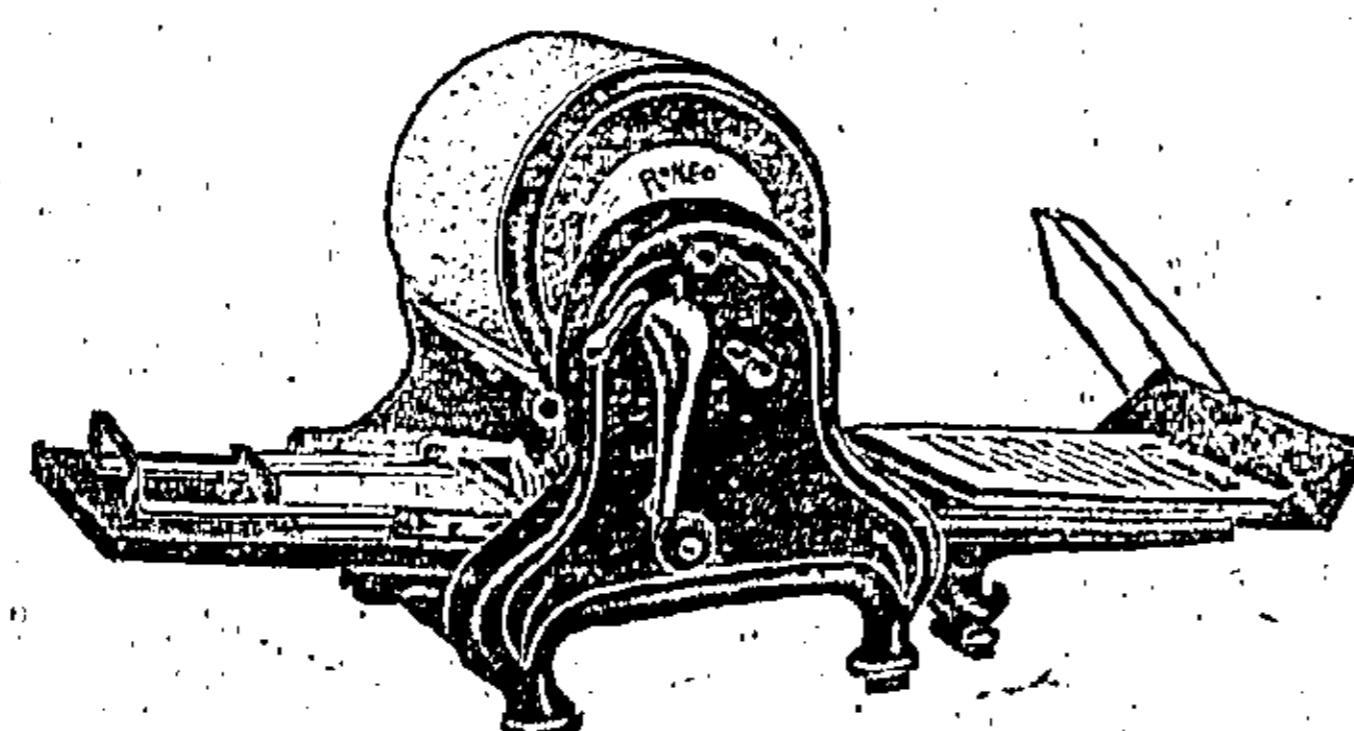
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**NEW CANTON  
GOVERNMENT?****IMPORTANT CHANGES  
POSSIBLE.**

With the return to Canton of Wang Ching-wei, once a strong supporter of Chiang Kai-shek and later an adherent of the Hankow communist government, and later still a convert from communism, there is much speculation among the political parties as to the ultimate outcome of his re-appearance in the Kwangtung capital.

There are persistent reports that he will, with the support of the family of Sun Yat-sen, establish a new and independent government.

Shanghai, Oct. 30.

There are persistent reports in Chinese circles that Wang Ching-wei has gone to Canton for the purpose of inaugurating a new government of Canton independent of the present so-called Nationalist Government. In Canton he would be able to rely on the support of Madame Sun Yat-sen and other members of the Sun family, though whether this includes Chiang Kai-shek cannot be ascertained at present.—Reuter.

**Some Speculations.**

The return of Wang Ching-wei to Canton is the topic of the Chinese community and has provoked interesting comments in the vernacular press. One paper declares: "In Canton politicians and militarists are busying themselves making preparations to celebrate the return of Wang Ching-wei on the one hand and to organise the anti-Tang Seng-chi campaign on the other."

"Curiously enough Wang Ching-wei and Tang Seng-chi were once good friends and close allies as leaders of the Hankow Government. One thing that puzzles is whether the supreme military chief of South China, Li Chai-sum, a known Rightist, will be able to co-operate with this Leftist leader, Wang Ching-wei, who, it should be recalled, is the creator of the once famous slogan of the Leftists in the Kuomintang, 'All revolutionists should turn 'Left' for those who turn 'Right' will be regarded as non-revolutionists."

"For three years, it should be remembered, Wang Ching-wei was a chief supporter of the 'reds' in the Kuomintang.

"However, for some unknown reasons he ultimately split with the 'reds,' but it has taken him a long time to realize that the 'red' doctrines are unsuitable for China.

"To Chiang Kai-shek, Wang was also once a faithful and loyal supporter, but after two years he denounced and left Chiang Kai-shek.

"Then he turned to Tang Seng-chi and for half a year they worked together for the Hankow Government. Not until recently did Wang discover that Tang Seng-chi, like Chiang Kai-shek and the 'reds,' was only employing him for personal ends and that they were not working for the good of the Kuomintang cause. He has now returned to Canton hoping that he may be able to co-operate with Li Chai-sum.

"If Wang succeeds in arranging peace with Li Chai-sum and the Leftists, then he may have a chance of becoming chief of the Civil Government in South China, but if he fails then he and all the Leftists may have to clear out."

"Not only Wang Ching-wei but all the politicians of the Kuomintang are servants of the Kuomintang militarists while the latter class is no better than Chang Te-chin, Sun Chuan-fang and all the confirmed Peiyang militarists in North China."

**Mr. Wang's Programme.**

Mr. Wang Ching-wei, was interviewed by several reporters of the vernacular press.

When asked what he intended to do in Kwangtung Mr. Wang declared that the first thing to do were to revise the financial system of the province, to have a fixed number of troops, cut down the expenses on war and the army, exterminate banditry, improve the communications of Kwangtung, eliminate the "reds" and, finally, to restore the Central Executive Committee and the Supervisory Committee of the Kuomintang in Canton, making them the central authority of all the Kuomintang provinces.

He added that he realised the people of China most desired "peace to conduct their business," and for this reason his first step would be to eliminate bandits and pirates and protect the people.

Concerning the "reds," Mr. Wang admitted that the Soviet Government desired to frustrate the Kuomintang cause.

His previous actions had been mistaken ones, but he hoped he would make good with his people in Kwangtung, for it was his desire to make Kwangtung a model province.

**AN EXPLANATION.****WHY MR. JENKIN LEFT THE COURT.**

Prior to the hearing of the Wing On case on Saturday, in which Messrs. F. C. Jenkin and M. K. Lo were both appearing for the parties concerned, Mr. Jenkin offered an explanation to the Magistrate, Mr. R. E. Lindsell, for leaving the court during Mr. M. K. Lo's speech in a case heard the previous day, when Mr. Lo was defending an assistant of the Nederland India Commercial Bank, who was charged with the forgery of a \$50,000 cheque.

Mr. Jenkin said that he read with both surprise and consternation the evening papers of Friday and he was pleased that the morning papers were more restrained.

He was glad to observe that the criticism of his act of leaving the Court fell from the lips of the defending solicitor and not from the Bench. Continuing, Mr. Jenkin said that he wished to explain that when the Magistrate discharged the defendant on the prosecution offering no evidence, he was under the impression that his presence in Court was no longer necessary. When Mr. Lo commenced to make a speech, to clear his client as much as a speech could clear man, he remained behind to listen, but after a while he found Mr. Lo going off in another direction and he thought no good purpose could be served by staying longer. Mr. Jenkin assured his Worship that he had no intention of appearing in the least discourteous to the Bench.

Mr. Lindsell said that at first he was somewhat disconcerted to observe Mr. Jenkin leave the Court, but he was quite prepared to accept the explanation and he expressed the hope that Mr. Lo would do the same.

Mr. Lo said that he was taken aback by Mr. Jenkin's sudden departure. He thought that there was no precedent for Mr. Jenkin's action and he said so at the time. Mr. Lo added that he could not remember using the word "outrage."

It ought to be made quite clear that Mr. Lo did use the word "outrage," which fact is testified to by reporters in court who were each taking individual notes. We can assure Mr. Jenkin that our report on Friday was accurate and was not in any way "unrestrained."

Our description of the incident as a "Court sensation" was precisely what it was, for we think Mr. Jenkin will agree that it is not an everyday affair for one advocate to characterise the action of another as "an outrage."—Ed. H.K.T.]

**WING ON CASE.****DEFENDANT COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.**

F. Chan was on Saturday committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions on a charge of conspiring with one Yeung (deceased) and others to ruin the trade of the Wing On Company by means of unlawful transfer of part of the business of the Wing On's ship-chandlery department.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin prosecuted on behalf of the Wing On Company, and the defendant was represented by Mr. M. K. Lo.

Chan, in answer to Mr. Jenkin, stated that the price list sent to the Dollar Company was copied from the Wing On's list, simply to facilitate his work.

Mr. Jenkin suggested that the defendant copied Wing On's list in order to undercut them and to this the defendant agreed, adding that the prices were the same as Wing On's prices for 1926.

After Mr. Lo had re-examined the defendant, he addressed the Magistrate. He said that the defendant had answered completely every charge that was brought against him and he felt sure there was no evidence for any jury to convict. Mr. Lo added that if a jury did convict on such evidence, it could not be upheld in the Appeal Court and the verdict would undoubtedly be reversed.

Mr. Lindsell decided to commit the accused.

**VISCOUNT CECIL.****EXPLAINS WHY HE LEFT THE GOVERNMENT.**

London, Oct. 29.

Viscount Cecil, pursuing the League of Nations' propaganda campaign at Durham, said that when the Three Power Conference on Disarmament failed he came to the conclusion that he must leave the Government not in order to attack it but in order to convince his fellow countrymen of the vital importance of disarming by international agreement.

If the resolutions of the League Assembly were carried into full effect in the letter and spirit there would be no need for differences between him and the Government.—Reuter.

**JAPANESE NAVAL REVIEW.****158 WARSHIPS DRAWN UP FOR INSPECTION.**

Tokyo, Oct. 30.

Immense crowds from all over the country assembled at every point of vantage this morning to see the greatest naval review ever held since 1919. One hundred and fifty-eight warships, including eight capital ships and 20 cruisers, 72 destroyers and 38 submarines, aggregating over 700,000 tons, and twelve transports participated.

The ships were drawn up in eight parallel lines off Yokohama occupying an area of six miles by two.

The battleship Mutsu with the Emperor aboard, steamed slowly between the lines, while a large number of air craft circled overhead. The inspection lasted over two hours.—Reuter.

**MOTOR ACCIDENT.****CAR HITS LAMP POST AT HAPPY VALLEY.**

Swerving in order to avoid a coolie, motor car No. 392 ran into a lamp post near the public entrance of the Hongkong Jockey Club enclosure yesterday.

The car was proceeding from the Monument in the direction of the Young Wo Nursing Home in Wongneichong. When nearing the bend at the public entrance of the Hongkong Jockey Club stands, a coolie came from the Jockey Club premises and got in the way of the car. The driver promptly swerved to avoid the man and ran into a lamp post, which was very badly damaged.

The front portion of the car, as a result of the head-on impact, was also damaged to a very great extent.

**PEAK ROBBERY.****HOUSEBREAKER STEALS AN AUTOMATIC.**

A report has been made to the police by Mr. J. C. Clark of No. 1 Chatham Path, The Peak, to the effect that some time between Friday and Saturday morning a thief managed to effect an entry into his bedroom and steal a Japan box containing his will, deeds, contracts, insurance policy and private letters, also \$60 in money.

From a dressing table, the intruder managed to steal three rings, the total value of which is placed at \$200. An automatic pistol and seventy-five rounds of ammunition were also taken.

The total haul made by the robber is valued at \$310, but this does not include the documents stolen.

**SALT GABELLE.****AUTHORITIES WANT MONEY FOR THE NAVY.**

Chefoo, Oct. 29.

There is still no end to the trouble over the Salt Gabelle revenue. This money has been demanded by the Chinese in order to meet the cost of maintaining the Northern Chinese navy.—Naval Wireless.

**LESS UNEMPLOYMENT.****BIG DROP IN GERMANY IN PAST YEAR.**

Berlin, Oct. 30.

There were 442,000 thousand men and women in receipt of unemployment relief in Germany on October 15 compared with the maximum of 1,750,000 last year.—Reuter.

**TELEPHONE SERVICE.****LINKING UP BRITAIN AND SWITZERLAND.**

London, Oct. 29.

The Postmaster General announces that a telephone service is now available between all the principal provincial towns in Britain as well as London and all provincial towns in Switzerland.—British Wireless.

**SEAPLANE PROGRESS.****FOUR AIR FORCE MACHINES REACH PHALERON.**

London, Oct. 30.

The Royal Air Force seaplanes on tour to India, Australia and back to the Singapore base reached Phaleron air station yesterday and proceeded to-day to Alexandria.—British Wireless.

**BIG PLOT BARRED.****CHINESE POST OFFICE IN JEOPARDY.**

Shanghai, Oct. 29.

The *North China Daily News* is a leader-headed "Wrecking the Chinese Post Office" states that it is known confidentially that for several months the Nationalists have been proposing to circumvent the status of the Post Office as laid down by the Washington Agreement by setting up their own Directorate of Posts.

They planned to order M. Picard Destelan, co-Director-General,

## NEW SERIAL STORY

## THE MERAFIELD MYSTERY.

By R. A. J. WALLING.  
(Author of "The Third Degree," "Fatal Glove," etc.)

## CHAPTER XIII.

I had mentioned to Bannister that the local police, being badly at fault, talked about calling in Scotland Yard. When I returned home that evening I found they had already done it.

My wife told me Mason had been ringing from Merafield Tower. Twice in the last ten minutes he had called up, and seemed to be in a state of frantic anxiety.

I got through to him.

"Oh, sir," said he, "we're in a dreadful state; two detectives have been here. They say they're men from Scotland Yard. They've been poking about all over the house and pretending to find things out. Atkins had gone off in the car. Immediately he came back they arrested him, and have taken him off to Westport Gaol!"

"Good heavens!" said I. "What have they arrested Atkins for?"

"I don't rightly know, sir. They say it's for being concerned in the murder, although he could be concerned in the murder, when he was in bed and fast asleep when the murder was done. I can't tell."

"I'll come over and see you after dinner, Mason," said I.

"Just like the police," said my wife, when I told her what had happened.

"How?" I asked.

"For the same reason. He's not that sort of man."

And somehow, though Atkins was a puzzle to me and his proceedings were almost incomprehensible, I was inclined to agree with my wife that he was not that sort of man. However, the detectives must have found something suspicious, or they would certainly not have gone to the length of arresting him.

When I saw Mason the affair became a little clearer. Unconsciously Mason had evidently given to the new investigators the information on which they acted. They appeared to have started without any of the prepossessions that misled the local police. They began the inquiry all over again, saw all the servants, had the story re-told, brought out Mrs. Ponsonby-Perris from the hotel in Westport where she was now staying, ransacked the house, made everybody account for his or her movements not only at the time of the murder but since, and then detained Atkins.

Mason had told them that Atkins went out occasionally in the car, mainly looking after its works. They had made him account for every absence he could remember, and then confronted Atkins with these absences, which had either not cared to explain, or could not remember in detail. Mason did not know which.

At the end of his story I realised that Atkins had not been arrested, but merely detained for inquiries. There was no possible charge to prefer against him. He would be at liberty within a few hours unless the supermen of Scotland Yard were smart enough to discover in ten minutes what I had not been able to discover in days of patient inquiry.

I thought I recognised their method and theory. They judged Atkins to be a rather superior sort of chauffeur who, if he were sufficiently frightened, would give away everything he knew.

But I judged Atkins to be not that sort of man. The trouble for him was that, once attention had been drawn to him in this way, he would be unable to move a yard without being shadowed. The diligence of the Scotland Yard men made my own job none the more easy. If there was one thing I did not want it was to have Atkins under suspicion. It would impede that reckoning between us which had to come. It would slow down my approach to that explanation of the Merafield affair which was forming in my mind.

Also, there was no knowing what the Scotland Yard men would do even if Atkins, as was certain, gave them no assistance. They might even nose out Mrs. Briscoe. And that would be fatal to my plans.

So I reflected, with the agitated Mason standing by and looking dolefully at me. At length I asked him:

"Mason, do you remember whether Atkins took out the car on the Wednesday—you know, the day Sir Charles stayed home ill?"

"Yes, sir, I remember very well. Sir Charles sent for Atkins to his

## LAWN BOWLS.

## A FRIENDLY MATCH.

A friendly lawn bowls match between teams representing the Dairy Farm and the East Point Recreation Club was played at the East Point club on Sunday afternoon, when the Dairy Farm team won by four shots. The scores were:

Dairy Farm	East Point
J. D. Thomson.	F. Samways.
J. Vickers.	A. Webster.
A. Hanlon.	R. Whitford.
W. Macfarlane	W. Lee (skip) 18
(skip) . . . . .	28
D. McWhirter.	J. Hampton.
J. B. Hayes.	G. M. Shaw.
A. Stevenson.	A. T. Hamilton.
A. Macfarlane	A. Henderson
(skip) . . . . .	23
Total . . . . .	Total . . . . . 41

room, and Atkins got some instructions. I don't know what they were, but he got out the big car at once and went off. I remember, because Lady Merafield wanted the car in the afternoon, and I had to tell her that Atkins had it out. When I said should I ask Sir Charles whether Atkins would be back in time to take her, she said "No, I wasn't to bother about it."

"When was that? In the morning?"

"Yes," said Mason. "It was before mid-day. Atkins got home about six o'clock in the evening. He had picked up Major Overbury at Merafield bridge and brought him home with the fishing gear."

"Oh, yes," said I. "Major Overbury had been out fishing that day. What luck did he get?"

"No luck at all, sir. He said it was a very bright day and the water was low, and he hadn't touched a fish for the day."

It was possible, of course. But in view of my theories vaguely shaping themselves, it was on the cards that there was an understanding between Atkins and Overbury to do something else than thrash the water of the river Mera that day.

If I could be certain whether the pseudo-chauleur and Overbury were acquainted before the visit to Merafield, I should be fairly certain of other things. And one of them was that if he mounted it at all that day, Overbury was not on the banks of the river very long.

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I looked thoughtfully at Mason, who seemed to cling to me as the solid fact in a dissolving world. I was pre-occupied with a question: how would this mishap to Atkins affect Mrs. Briscoe? And I was making with Mrs. Briscoe that sort of man. However, the detectives must have found something suspicious, or they would certainly not have gone to the length of arresting him.

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"What happened?" I asked.

"Two officers down from the Yard," said Grainger, "detained Atkins, the chauffeur, if you can imagine some men doing such a thing—insist on detaining him till to-morrow. They've got hold of

## CATCHING STRAY DOGS.

## SHANGHAI'S IMPROVED METHODS.

## BRAVE OFFICERS.

(Continued from Page 7.)

piracy and other perils of the sea, and welcome any effort made to this end.

I was on Home leave when the Sunning piracy took place, and the arrangements in connection with this presentation have been left in the capable hands of Mr. W. Wakeford Cox, manager of the South British Insurance Co. Ltd., and Mr. T. A. Clark, of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited, and I am sure you will join me in an expression of appreciation for the satisfactory way in which these gentlemen have dealt with the matter.

There has necessarily, and for various reasons, been a long interval between the actual happening of the piracy and this gathering, but the gallantry and courage shown will be still fresh in your memories.

## The Officers' Thanks.

We are sorry not to have Mr. Beatty with us to-day, but his duties keep him down South, and the Hongkong Association is thus afforded the opportunity of joining with us by making the presentation to him. Fortunately both Mr. Hurst and Mr. Cormack are able to be with us, and I have much pleasure in making the presentations to them. I may mention that the recipients have chosen their own mementoes. Our best wishes for their future welfare and success go with the gifts.

Following the presentation the two officers expressed their gratitude to the Marine Underwriters' Association, Mr. Hurst remarking modestly that anyone in the same circumstances would have done the same.

Among those in attendance at the ceremony were Mr. C. M. G. Burnie, Union Insurance Society of Canton; Mr. W. H. Trenchard-Davis, Commercial Union Assurance Co.; Mr. T. A. Fisher, B. & S., Mr. A. W. Slater, chairman of the Shanghai Fire Insurance Society of Canton; Mr. C. E. Maligny, New Zealand Insurance; Mr. A. R. Harris, Sun Insurance Office; Mr. W. Dexter, South British Insurance Co.; Mr. A. C. Hay, North China Insurance Co.; Mr. W. C. Bond, B. & S.; Mr. J. W. Pilcher, Eastern United Insurance; Mr. F. R. Barry, Employers' Liability Assoc.; Mr. J. Green, Assurance Franco-Asiatique; Mr. F. R. Lambe, B. & S.; Mr. F. W. James, B. & S.; Mr. R. N. Swann, Beck and Swann; Mr. H. C. Sonceron, Java Sea and Fire Insurance Co. Ltd.; Mr. O. G. Blom, Blom and Van Der Au; and Mr. L. M. Howe, American Asiatic Underwriters Co.

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## MALARIA AND ITS EFFECTS.

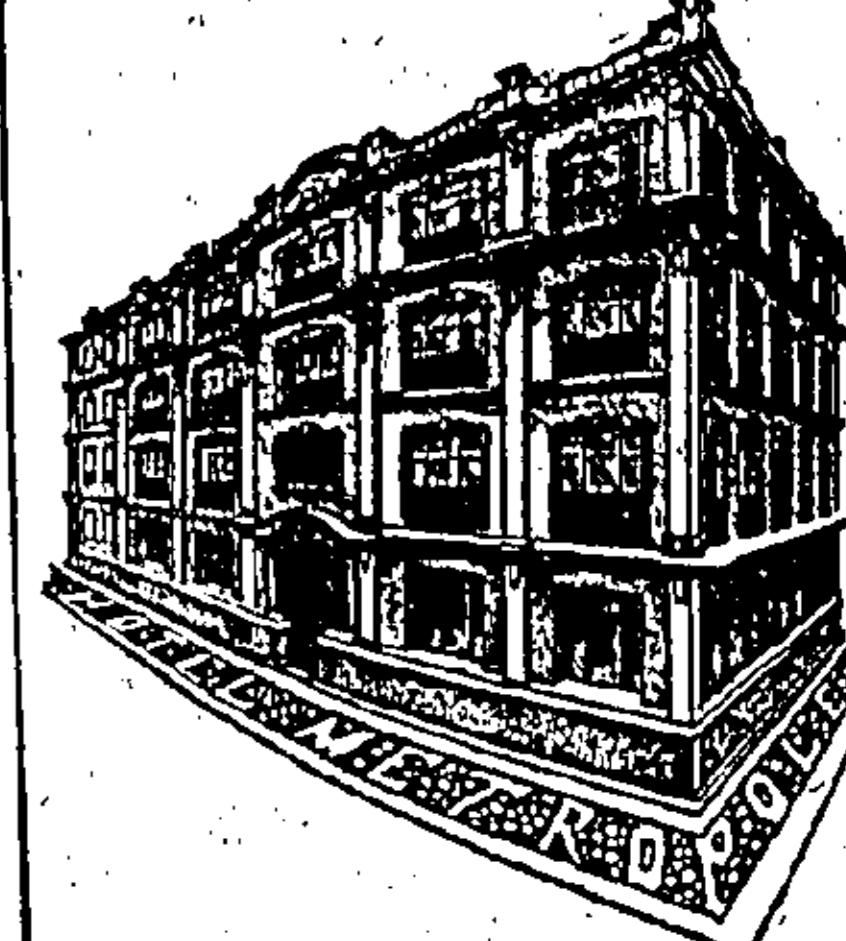
During the Great War many soldiers who escaped gas, bullets and death returned home with health shattered by disease. To sufferers from malaria the experience of one of them, Mr. Jones, of 54 Grove Park, Colvyn Bay, will be of especial interest.

"It was in 1916, when I was out in Mesopotamia, that I had the first attack of Malaria," explained Mr. Jones in an interview. "I came back to England very weak and ill. My health declined rapidly, and added to the attacks of malaria were the miseries of nervous debility and low spirits. I had pains in the head, and could seldom get a good night's sleep. My appetite was very bad and I could hardly eat anything.

"During these four years of misery I was under the care of seven different doctors. They said that I was suffering from indigestion and anaemia. I tried several remedies but they proved of no avail. It was the beginning of last summer that I had the last attack of malaria, and it proved a very severe one. I was home for six weeks in a terrible condition; it was then that some friends advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I commenced their use.

"Of course I did not feel much difference at first, but before long they brought about a wonderful change in me. I felt myself getting gradually stronger, my appetite returned, and I was able to sleep much better. My friends were surprised at the wonderful change in my health. I am now quite well, and find work a pleasure. I feel very thankful that I started Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and shall always do my utmost to recommend them."

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## LOCAL TENNIS.

## L. R. C. TOURNAMENT.

The following is the result of the semi-finals of the Ladies' Open

Championship Singles:

Miss E. Lo beat Mrs. Grigor,

6-3, 6-4.

Mrs. E. Grimble beat Mrs. Miles,

6-2, 6-3.

The finals of the qualifying round

will be played off at the U. S. R. C.

on Friday, 4th November at 3.30 p.m.

Miss E. Lo v Mrs. E. Grimble.

Ladies' Club Championship Singles.—The following is the result of the 2nd round:

Mrs. Tottenham beat Mrs.

Grigor, Mrs. Miles beat Mrs. Cook,

Mrs. Hall beat Miss Carruthers,

Mrs. D. Browne beat Mrs. Remington.

Gentlemen's Club Singles.—The following is the result of the 3rd round:

Col. Russell Brown beat G. H.

Bond, Rev. Alexander beat Major

W. B. Stevenson, G. W. Sewell beat

H. R. Remington, R. E. Tottenham beat C. Grove.

Mixed Handicap Doubles.—The

result of the Semi Finals:

Mr. and Mrs. Grigor (Scr.) beat

T. Lanyon and Miss Carruthers

Mr. and Mrs. C. Grove (+1/6) beat Mr.

and Mrs. James (Scr.), Mr. and

Mrs. Remington (Scr.) beat Mr.

and Mrs. Martin (-4/6).

Mixed Doubles Club Champion-

ship.—The following is the result

of the 2nd round:

Mr. and Mrs. Stark w/o. "Bat and

Ball," T. Lanyon and Miss Carruthers beat L. M. S. Lloyd and

Mrs. Miles, Mr. and Mrs. Totteman beat A. D. Humphreys and

Mrs. James, Mr. and Mrs. Grigor beat Mr. and Mrs. Remington.

The Committee will be "At

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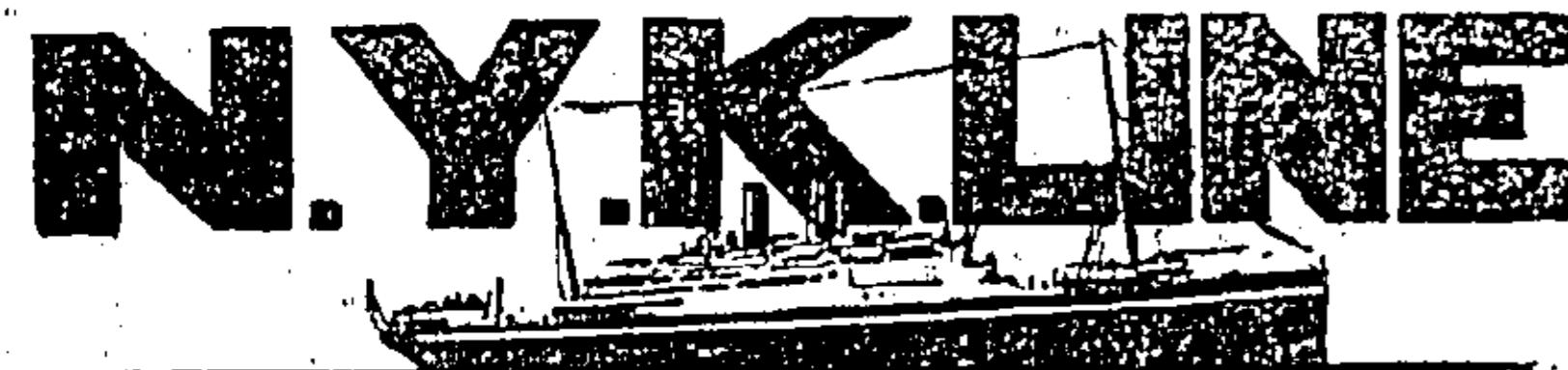
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## GALE AT HOME.

## COUNTRY SWEEP BY HIGH WINDS.

London, Oct. 29. Four were killed and much damage done as a result of a gale which was felt throughout the country. Telephone communication with Ireland was severed and a massive crane with tripod, a hundred and fifty feet high, was blown across Southampton Row, Holborn. The crane crushed a taxi cab and formed a barrier of wood and iron wreckage thirty feet high.

A ferro-concrete mill chimney, a hundred and eighty feet high, collapsed at Bradford and demolished part of an office warehouse in which two hundred workmen were employed. No one was injured.—Reuter.

## Damage to Shipping.

London, Oct. 29. A heavy gale swept the British Isles last night, the wind maintaining an average velocity of nearly 60 miles an hour. A velocity of 78 miles an hour was registered at Valentia, Ireland. Vessels round the coast, and particularly in the south west and in the Irish Channel experienced violent seas but few casualties occurred.

The destroyer Rowena with a Naval tug went to the assistance of the Spanish tanker Arnis, 4,185 tons, whose steering gear broke west of Portland Bill and who was in danger of drifting on the rocks in West Bay. She was brought to a safe position, Naval craft standing by and afterwards towing her into Weymouth.

The Mersey ports suffered severely from the gale and a steam barge broke her moorings, crashed against the walls of the dock and sank, the mate being drowned.

Inland, much minor damage was done. In London a 100 ton crane employed on a new building crashed, while at Bradford a chimney, 180 feet high, was blown down. Two hundred employees were working in the building at the time and all escaped injury.—British Wireless.

## HOSPITAL DISASTER.

London, Oct. 30. Reports from the Midlands and the North show that the gale was even fiercer there than in the South. A tidal wave swept up the River Lune at Lancaster and flooded the Luneside Hospital where nineteen patients were cut off by the waters. Three of these were drowned, the corpses being recovered by firemen in boats. Nurses carried others upstairs through two feet of water to safety.

The football match between New Brighton and Barrow was postponed owing to the wrecking of the stand at the ground.

## LEAGUE AND RADIO.

## POWERFUL TRANSMITTER TO BE INSTALLED.

Berne, Oct. 30.

In view of the need felt by the League of Nations for further communication facilities the Swiss Marconi Company has decided to install a new high-speed transmitter with an anode power of fifty kilowatts and a range of over 3,000 kilometres capable of linking up the League headquarters with any spot in Europe, the Far East and North Africa.

The present transmitters are to be reinforced and the League by next summer will have at its disposal four transmitting sets of high power.—Reuter.

## THE FADED SWIM.

## DR. LOGAN TO ANSWER PERJURY CHARGE.

London, Oct. 30. The "Channel swimmer," Dr. Logan, and her trainer have been summoned for perjury in connection with the affidavit sworn at the offices of the *Newspaper of the World*. They will appear at the Mansion House on November 7.—Reuter.

## B.A.T. STRIKE.

A TURN REPORTED FOR THE BETTER.

Shanghai, Oct. 29. There is a turn for the better with regard to the situation caused by the strike of the British-American Tobacco Company's workers.—British Wireless.

blew down in the middle of a transmission.

## HAVOC TO TELEPHONE LINES.

Two houses blew down at Manchester. Many people are temporarily unemployed at Leigh owing to damage to works. Thousands of pounds of damage was done to plate-glass windows, chimney stacks and roofs at Blackpool. Five families at Bottom Ebbvale were rendered homeless in consequence of their habitations being blown down.

Telephone communication with the important provincial centres was affected owing to the blowing down of two hundred trunk lines. A break between London and Tetney, Lincolnshire, stopped the beam wireless service to India and Australia.

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## FISHING DISASTER.

There was fishing disaster in Cleggan Bay, in the County of Galway, when a fierce gale struck a number of boats and swamped all except one. The one to escape cut the fishing nets adrift and made for safety.

The storm raged for hours and it is known already that thirteen people were drowned. It is feared, however, that the total death roll will be much larger than this.—Reuter.

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FAILURE.**

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\$40,000 "GIR."

Mr. Agassiz:—From particulars I have here, it is stated that \$126,775 was advanced to Madame Flint, and \$40,000 was advanced to you. You say, I understand, that the \$40,000 was a present to you?—Yes.

Do you suggest any reason why Mrs. Stephens should make you presents of these amounts?—Because I was looking after the affairs. Besides Madame Flint was the nurse of Mrs. Stephens, and I had to take the place of Madame Flint. You think that was the reason for advancing you \$40,000?—I think so. You know, of course, it is denied that the money was a gift and you are being sued for it?—Yes, I am in the same position as others.

M. Durand:—Was here going on with an involved explanation when His Lordship intervened.

M. Durand:—Yes. Your Worship.

Sir Henry Gollan:—I am not Your Worship.

M. Durand:—Yes, Your Lordship.

His Lordship:—You say it was given to you?—Yes.

Mr. Agassiz:—The cafe has been run at a loss ever since it was opened?—I don't think we have lost a lot, because when we applied for a petition in bankruptcy we had about \$200,000 worth of furniture and goods.

His Lordship:—Is the cafe still being run?

Mr. Agassiz:—No, My Lord, it is closed.

Never Paid Expenses.

Mr. Agassiz:—I suggest that the cafe has never, during one single month, since it was opened, paid its expenses and I have the figures here, from your own books?—I agree that the cafe has never paid, because we must consider that for three months we had no licence. If you have no wines how can you make money?

Yes, I think there was some trouble with the police?—Yes, everybody knows about it in Hongkong. It was cut off for three months and we lost a lot of money.

I am going to put it to you that the total loss on the cafe from July 1927, to September 1927, exclusive of the rent, was \$77,000?—Nearly, but the loss of the licence should be counted.

His Lordship:—Was the licence renewed after three months?—It was renewed by the Governor, without going through the Licensing Board.

Mr. Agassiz:—Even after the licence was renewed the cafe failed to pay?—The last month we were in we made \$11,700.

M. Durand continued to make complaints against certain people, but his Lordship, interrupting reminded him that it was very easy to make charges, but it was a very dangerous thing to do.

Mr. Agassiz:—The receipts for the month of August, your last month, were \$9,677?—Yes.

And your total expenses for that month were \$10,877 for the cafe?

—Yes, but I don't think that is only for the cafe. I think it is for the other businesses as well.

His Lordship:—Does that include the rent of the cafe?

Mr. Agassiz:—No, My Lord. Simply wages, out of pocket expenses, light and food, wines, etc.

Summer Time.

Mr. Agassiz:—There was a small loss on that month?—That is in summer time when people go out and do not stay in the cafe.

His Lordship:—But still there was a small loss?—Yes.

Mr. Agassiz:—With regard to the Beauty Parlour there was a loss of \$3,214?—Yes.

The Au Chic dress making business in Pedder Street, from January 1926 until January 1927 shows a profit of \$3,149?—Yes. For the conditions in Hongkong it is quite a success, as there are not many who do this kind of work.

When was the grocery shop opened?—About ten months ago. There they also cut our licence and stopped our selling wines. What is the reason?—I am sorry I have not got a solicitor to defend me in this case.

As regards the grocery there was a loss of \$5,700?—Yes.

As a matter of fact that is exclusive of the rent?—We never sold anything there because we could not sell wines.

Then you acquired a machine for cleaning out ship's tubes?—Yes.

You brought that out here and I think it was with the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company that you got certain additional accessories which cost about \$1,800?—Yes.

New Undertaking.

You had, I think, an exhibition at Kowloon Dock?—Yes.

So far, I think only one ship's boiler tubes have been cleaned?—Yes, because it takes a long time in making people understand the process.

In respect of that ship's cleaning you quoted a low price?—Yes,

I did that for advertisement purposes.

According to your accounts the amount you have spent on this machinery and air compressor is \$15,198?—Maybe, a little more, because I had to pay wages. I think we have spent more than \$20,000 on this, or maybe \$16,000.

And what were the returns for that machinery?—They were nil, but of course we have not started yet.

In your statement of affairs you value it at \$16,000?—Yes.

Do you seriously consider that there is the slightest possible chance of selling it at that?—It could be sold if people would only understand it. It is the only invention of its kind in the world.

Do you think there is any likely possibility of selling this machinery for that amount?—Yes, if people would understand it.

Have you had any enquiries about it?—Yes, I have had one enquiry.

You have the agency for all China for this machine and during the time you have had the agency you have not sold another machine like it?—I did not want to sell. I want to use it myself and form a company for using it.

The Dock Company take a different idea of the value?—Yes, I know.

Do you know that they have filed a proof in which they value this machinery at \$145?—I have nothing to say about that.

The only thing to be said is that the creditors can take it for that price?—The creditors can take it if they will.

Which is the most reasonable estimate, \$145 or your's of \$16,000?

His Lordship:—That is the difference between selling it as scrap iron and selling it as usable machinery?—Yes.

Only Mr. Whe Understood.

His Lordship remarked to M. Durand that it seemed to him that M. Durand was the only man who understood the machinery.

M. Durand replied that that was true. Engineers could not understand it. If he could only make the Chinese people understand it they could have a very big company.

Mr. Agassiz:—Well, I hope some day you will be able to do so. M. Durand.

In your assets you put down debts due to estate \$23,000?—Yes.

What is that?

M. Durand explained they were bonds bought by Madame Flint a long time ago, and were used as security for business. They were of the value of 200,000 francs, and that was owing to them with three years' interest.

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Mr. Agassiz said he had heard from M. Durand's solicitor that what was left from that business would just about be enough to pay debts owing to another firm.

Motor Cars For Canton.

M. Durand went on to speak of being approached by people in Canton for the supply of motor cars and taxi cabs. He advised them to obtain at least \$40,000 to include a workshop and repairs.

Some money was put in a French bank, but they could not raise enough. He added that he had done everything for the Taxi Cab Company. Two days before they ordered the cars he did all the work himself but they took all the business off him.

He added he did not think the money was in the bank now, as he had been advised that it had gone.

In January a fire occurred at the Pedder Street premises and the total amount of insurance money paid was \$2,000, of which they received \$2,000.

Of the money paid to Madame Flint by Mrs. Stephens \$30,000 was paid into her own account because he wanted to use it for a scheme of supplying electricity in Kwong Chow Wan. His tender for that scheme was the lowest but it was not accepted because he thought there had been some arrangement beforehand. The expenses incurred were a few thousand dollars.

He agreed that the total personal expenses for himself and Madame Flint from July 1924 to September 1927 were \$17,000.

After speaking of certain other expenses at Shanghai and Canton, he said he had remitted to his wife and family about \$2,000.

He affirmed that all Mrs. Stephens' money had been put into the business.

Mr. Agassiz said that as far as he could make out the total loss was \$216,000.

Mr. Agassiz: Your total losses in business amount to \$216,000 don't they?

M. Durand: We had property worth over \$200,000, but how can we do anything if they are sold for nothing?

Your ideas of your assets were optimistic, were they not?—At the time we go bankrupt our assets were over \$200,000, and our liabilities only \$100,000. They sell us out for about \$15,000. Everything valuable was sold before a creditors' meeting. Was it not much better to appoint a manager instead of selling everything for nothing?

This closed the public examination of Monsieur Durand.

M. Durand (addressing His Lordship): I should like to explain why we went into bankruptcy. I should like to apply for discharge right away.

Sir Henry Gollan: Well, I am afraid you cannot.

M. Durand: I am very sorry.

Madame Flint in the Box.

The public examination of Madame Marie Flint was then proceeded with. Mr. Agassiz questioned her concerning her affairs prior to the time when M. Durand was taken into partnership.

Madame Flint told the Court that she had carried on her own business in Hongkong for nearly 20 years at different addresses, and her average profits were between \$10,000 and \$14,000 per annum.

You had 200,000 francs worth of Bonds which you purchased out of your profits?—Madame Flint: Yes.

And you handed them to the Societe Commerciale Asie-Afrique?—Yes.

Sir Henry Gollan: Could the Bonds be transferred by delivery?—Yes.

Yet you handed them to this firm?—Yes.

Mr. Agassiz